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WHITEAWAY'S

Labour Charges Britain Aiding Spanish Rebels

SIR JOHN SIMON JEERED ON STATING POLICY

Uproar in House as Vote Of Censure Moved

London, Apr. 14.

Censuring the British Government for its allegedly spineless submission to the blockade of Bilbao, and accusing it of actually helping the blockade and the rebel cause, Major Clement R. Attlee, Labour Opposition leader, commenced a heated debate in the House of Commons to-day. "Apparently," he said, "anyone need only tell the Government they intend to sow a few mines at a port and the British fleet will then come and blockade the port for them."

"General Francisco Franco hopes to starve women and children and the British Government is going to help them," Major Attlee cried. "The action creates the widespread conviction that the Government must be backing Franco. The Government has no right to push this humiliating procedure upon British sailors."

The House greeted this attack with cheers.

The diplomatic galleries were crowded for the debate, the Ambassadors present including those of Russia and Spain.

Sir John Simon, First Lord of the Admiralty, replied to the assault. The British Government's action with respect to the Bilbao blockade was based on its "policy of non-interference, direct or indirect, in affairs in Spain. This is the declared purpose of the Government and of France," Sir John declared.

The Government within the last few hours has communicated with General Franco intimating that we refuse to recognise the rebels' belligerent rights or to tolerate interference with British shipping, he asserted. "We added that any advice we have given British shipping does not affect the ultimate responsibility for any damage even to a vessel, which has disregarded our advice."

The Opposition constantly interrupted Sir John, one of the members singing, "We've Got a Navy."—United Press.

Angry Interruptions

London, Apr. 14.

Sir John Simon's reply in the House of Commons to Labour's vote of censure concerning the British policy of non-interference in the Bilbao blockade, was broken by angry interruptions, and a crowded house listened to day's proceedings.

Major C. R. Attlee, Labour leader, moved the vote of censure deploring the failure of the Government to give protection to British merchant shipping.

Major Attlee claimed the Government's action in warning shipping that it should not enter Bilbao was acquiescence in a grave breach of international law.

The Labour leader exhibited a cable from the President of the Basque republic stating that neither the Basques nor General Franco's forces had laid any mines in the approaches of Bilbao during the past fortnight. There had been 58 inward and outward sailings from the port without molestation. The batteries at Bilbao kept the rebel fleet 15 miles from shore, it stated.

Avoiding Complications

Replying to the Opposition on behalf of the Government, Sir John Simon declared it was the Government's policy to avoid all complications which might prejudice good international relations, and to strictly refrain from all interference in the internal affairs of Spain.

As Sir John proceeded to explain the Government's attitude, he was almost continuously interrupted by derisive and abusive comments and ironical cheers.

Sir John declared that H.M.S. Blanche reported on April 6 that there was a close blockade of Bilbao and serious incidents were likely to arise if merchant ships attempted to enter the port.

A fresh uproar was caused by Sir

British Ship Will Attempt Bilbao Entry

Bayonne, Apr. 14.

The British steamer Leagatte intends to try to run General Francisco Franco's blockade of the Spanish coast.

The ship will sail for Santander to lead a cargo of iron ore. It is understood the owners have consented to the captain's plan for the voyage.—Reuter.

BRITISH EXPORTS INCREASE

Highest For Month In Many Years

London, Apr. 14.

British exports in March were the highest in any month since November, 1930, totalling nearly £43,500,000. This is an increase compared with February of £4,097,000 and of £2,690,000 compared with March, 1936.

Imports totalled over £82,500,000, an increase of £11,000,000 compared with February and of over £14,500,000 compared with March of last year.—Reuter Special.

John's comment that a British commander on the spot was a better authority than the Basque Government.

There was another storm when the Opposition demanded to hear the text of the Board of Trade's communication warning ships not to enter Bilbao.

Replying to Mr. David Lloyd George, Sir John emphasised that the British Navy would protect vessels if they were attacked by General Franco's warships, no matter where they were.—Reuter.

Censure Defeated

London, Apr. 14.

The Labour vote of censure "deploring the failure of the Government to protect British shipping" in connection with the insurgent blockade (Continued on Page 4.)

STUDENTS ARMED, OFF TO WAR



Spanish youths from the schools of Barcelona have quit their books to take up arms in the Loyalist cause. Here, much better clothed and equipped than most Loyalist soldiers, they start the trek that may end in death, while thousands cheer them onward. "There is much fighting to be done," said Loyalist leader General Jose Miaja, welcoming these recruits.

DEFENDS BRITISH POLICIES

Eden Recalls Earlier Spanish Blockade

No Protest Against Leftist Action

London, Apr. 14.

Concluding the debate in the House of Commons on the Labour censure of British policy with respect to the Spanish war, Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, recalled that British had not protested when the Spanish Government last August declared a blockade of the insurgent ports in Morocco. "There was no more reason for the Government to do so in the case of the blockade of Bilbao, he argued."

He emphasised that belligerent rights could not be granted to one side. Had Britain followed precedents and granted belligerent rights, then both sides would have been entitled to hold up British ships attempting to break the blockade, even on the high seas.

Replying to an earlier question by Sir Archibald Sinclair, Liberal leader, as to whether a ship disregarding the Government's warning to keep clear of Bilbao would be protected if attacked before she reached the three-mile limit, Mr. Eden said the answer was definitely in the affirmative. But the Government was bound to warn ships of the dangers on the Bilbao coast in view of which the Government could not guarantee the safety of ships in territorial waters of Bilbao.

DAILY BOMBINGS

Mr. Eden quoted a telegram from the British Consul at Bilbao, saying there had been daily bombing and much destruction in the past fortnight.

He also had a telegram from the Ship-owners' Parliamentary Committee saying members were satisfied the Government was doing its utmost to protect the industry.

Mr. Eden said if it became necessary for the protection of British shipping to carry out mine-sweeping outside Spanish waters, the Government would certainly consider it. But it was a most formidable task.

He emphasised that forcible action within territorial waters would amount to intervention.

Dealing with the plea of Mr. Winston Churchill for arbitration, the Foreign Secretary said if ever Britain could make a contribution to bring the conflict to an end that contribution would be eagerly made.—Reuter.

Cathedral's Floor Sinks At Ceremony

Mexico City, Apr. 14.

Just as the ceremony of installing the Very Rev. Luis Martinez as Archbishop of Mexico was taking place, the floor of the Cathedral caved in. Altogether, seventy persons were injured, and many of these are not expected to live.—Reuter.

Sea Battle In Biscay Threatening

Loyalists Suffering Heavy Losses

Hendaye, April 14.

Prospects of a naval battle in the Bay of Biscay are heightened by the news that certain units of the reconstituted Spanish Government fleet are heading for these waters.—Reuter.

ENORMOUS CASUALTIES

Salamanca, April 14.

Between 12,000 and 14,000 Government troops, it is estimated by insurgent authorities, have been killed in the fighting on the Cordoba front during the past four days.

According to prisoners taken west of Madrid, the Government forces on this front are composed entirely of picked foreign troops, commanded by Frenchmen and Russians.—Reuter.

REFUGEES TELL OF MASSACRE

Flee To Escape Death At Italians' Hands

Berbera, Apr. 14.

Abyssinian refugees who have crossed the frontier into British Somaliland tell graphic stories of the sufferings of the natives.

Some of these refugees have walked eight hundred miles to escape massacre by the Italians.

Hundreds have died on the way to the frontier, whilst thousands are homeless in Galla, where their property has been confiscated. The food shortage there is acute.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

APPOINTED TO CHINA

London, Apr. 14.

Lieutenant-Colonel A.B. Thomson, of The Buffs, has been appointed Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General in charge of the administration of British troops in China, with effect from October 2.

Colonel M.A. Studd has been appointed to the corresponding post in Malaya, with effect from September 14.—Reuter.

CORONATION DELEGATE

London, Apr. 14.

The Sultan of Pahang, Federated Malay States, arrived in London to-day to attend the Coronation.—British Wireless.

GANDHI REMAINS UNMOVED

Claims He Is Acting As Mediator

Declares British Policy Unfair

London, April 14.

A series of important efforts on the part of the British authorities to placate the All-India Congress Party opposition to constitutional reforms, in their present form, has failed to shake Mahatma Gandhi in the advice he has given the party not to accept office in the provinces where its members have secured a majority. This is made clear in a message from Gandhi to the Times, sent from Wardha.

Gandhi refers directly or inferentially to the gestures contained in a speech of Lord Zetland, Secretary of State for India and Burma, an editorial in the Times, and a letter from Lord Lathom to the Times, all elucidating the constitutional implications and endeavouring to remove India's misapprehensions.

Lord Zetland, in a speech on April 8, ruled out as impossible the suggestion that Governors give assurances that they will not use their special powers, but indicated that the Viceroy would willingly explain the provincial positions further if approached by Gandhi or other Congress party representatives.

NOT FAIR

Gandhi's message to-night rejects Lord Zetland's interpretation and says his refusal to submit his interpretation to examination by a legal tribunal will raise the strong presumption that the British Government does not intend to deal fairly by the majority, whose advanced programme Britain dislikes.

"I prefer an honourable deadlock to dishonourable daily scenes between Congress party members and the Governors, for in the sense the British Government means, the working of the Act by the Congress party seems impossible," Gandhi writes.

"It is therefore for the British Government to show the Congress party by every means open to it within its constitution, that the Congress party can advance towards its goal even by taking office."

Having affirmed that he was not acting by any question of false prestige, Gandhi says: "My function is that of a mediator between the Congress party and the Government which, unlike many Congress party members, I believe to be capable of being converted under moral pressure, as of being coerced under physical pressure."—Reuter.

MEETINGS ARRANGED

New Delhi, Apr. 14.

It is understood that Gandhi is meeting all the parliamentary members of the All-India Congress Party in the Bombay Presidency to discuss the constitutional question.

The working committee of Congress is meeting on April 20, to discuss a definite line of action.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

REBEL ALLIES BID FOR POWER IN SPAIN WAR

Franco Fears Ruthless Campaign Would Ensnare

Hendaye, Apr. 14.

Differences of opinion between General Francisco Franco and the Italo-German general staff in Spain are described in reports of well-informed observers from Salamanca, who state that General Franco, the Insurgents' commander-in-chief, has been fighting against the suggestion from Rome and Berlin that he delegate the military side of the war to another leader than himself, and concentrate on governmental affairs.

For months, it is stated, the Germans and Italians at Salamanca have been striving for control of military operations, and the Germans especially are convinced that General Franco is incapable of winning the war while retaining the supreme command.

Hitherto, General Franco has been unwilling to accept full Italo-German direction of the campaign, fearing it would involve military ruthlessness, which would result in the death of many Insurgent supporters in Republican territory, and would also lessen his own popularity, particularly if poison gas were used.

Moreover, General Franco fears to surrender his authority to his allies, lest he never regain it.—Reuter.

BRITISH STRIKES SPREAD

Kent Busmen Quit: Dublin Walk-Out

Canada's Labour Troubles Grow

London, Apr. 14.

A lightning unofficial strike of bus conductors and drivers began this morning in Kent, the towns affected being Tunbridge Wells, Folkestone and Maidstone.

The men's Union is to meet this afternoon to discuss the situation.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

DUBLIN WALK-OUT

Dublin, Apr. 14.

Ten thousand men began a general building strike this morning, when bricklayers, masons and workers connected with the building trade, demanding higher wages and shorter hours.

The building trade at Cork is also paralysed by a sympathetic strike of 1,300 men.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

STRIKERS BEING FOOLED?

Oshawa, April 14.

The Mayor of Oshawa, Mr. Alexander Hall, has telegraphed Mr. Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers, demanding that a strike be called on Monday in the United States automobile plants the C.I.O. controls if the Canadian dispute is still unsettled.

Otherwise, says the Mayor, he will call a mass meeting and tell the striking employees of the Oshawa plant that they are being fooled and their union is not playing the game with them.—Reuter.

SHIP-WORKERS STRIKE

St. Nazaire, April 14.

Three hundred workmen on the new cruiser, Georges Leygues, struck to-day for an increase in wages.—Reuter.

STEAMER DELAYED

New York, April 14.

Two hundred and fifty passengers for Europe were delayed to-day when the liner President Roosevelt failed to sail at noon owing to a sit-down strike.

The crew refused to sign articles unless the company rejected nine engine-room replacements to which the seamen objected because, it is alleged, they did not support the recent strike.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT SPLIT

Toronto, Apr. 14.

Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario has written to his Minister of Labour and the Attorney-General, calling upon them to resign, following differences over the administration's attitude towards the strike in the General Motors plant at Oshawa.

Mr. Hepburn, who strongly opposes the strikers, and the United Automobile Workers Union, declares he won't confer with provincial officials until the resignations of the two ministers are presented.—Reuter.

EMPIRE LINKED BY RADIO

Greetings Exchanged From Many Lands

Prince Speaks To "One Great Family"

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Apr. 14.

Radio knit the Empire together this afternoon, when there was an unprecedented exchange of greetings by radio telephone on the opening of the extension of the headquarters of the Overseas League premises at Overseas House, St. James' Square, London, by the Duke of Gloucester.

The Duke included in his speech a message from the King, and replies were made by the Viceroy of India from Delhi, the Governor-General of Canada from Ottawa, the Governor-General of Australia from Melbourne, the Governor-General of New Zealand from Wellington, and the Governor-General of South Africa from Cape Town.

In his speech, the Duke of Gloucester emphasised that there was never a time in the world's history when the British Empire had a more important role to play as a great stabilising force.

He rejoiced to think that the Overseas League, recognising no distinction of creed, colour or class, sought to realise the ideal of his father, the late King George V, of being "one great family."

The function, which was presided over by Lord Goschen, took place in St. Andrew's Hall, subscribed for by Scottish members of the League. Another room, panelled in Indian silver grey wood, is the gift of the Government of India, concerning which the Duke paid a tribute to the generous donations by many Indian Princes.

The Duke of Gloucester was received by a guard of honour drawn from the Rhodesian and Australian Coronation contingents.—Reuter Special.

CRUISER SAILS FOR WOOSUNG

The cruiser Diomedes, which formerly was attached to the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy, left Hongkong yesterday on her way to Woosung (Shanghai).

The cruiser will return to Hongkong, en route to England, on May 6. With naval and military details aboard, the transport Dorsetshire departs this week end for Home.

THE DUKE PLANS 'MY LIFE STORY'

Non-Political And Non-Controversial Book

PERSONAL MEMOIRS FOR FIRST THIRTY YEARS OF CENTURY

THE DUKE OF WINDSOR HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY SPANNING THE PERIOD FROM ABOUT 1900 TO 1930, AND ENDING WITH THE RECOVERY OF HIS FATHER FROM HIS GRAVE ILLNESS.

He has sent for his personal papers and photographs taken on many tours.

What he contemplates writing, it is understood, is a book of memoirs which shall be non-political and non-controversial.

Publication in two volumes has been suggested. The first would deal with the Duke's life as child, naval cadet, and Guards officer in the war.

VISITS TO THE DOMINIONS

The second volume would cover his imperial tours and his private visits to Canada, Africa and elsewhere.

Such a book would, of course, include intimate pen pictures of Queen Victoria, King Edward VII., King George V. and Queen Alexandra, and many stories of celebrities.

The King's permission for the autobiography would first have to be obtained. It is thought there would be no likelihood of its being withheld since nothing controversial would be involved.

Publication plans have already been fully discussed and settled, but they are, of course, dependent on the Duke's final decision to write the book.

6-Seater 'Plane For Duke Of Windsor

Wing Commander "Edward" Fielden, now Equerry to the King, and just back from Vienna with G-ADDD, famous red and blue Rapide 'plane belonging to the Duke of Windsor, will shortly fly a new machine out to Austria.

The Duke is taking over a new 200 m.p.h. Envoy 'plane, now being assembled and tested at Portsmouth airport. It is a twin-engine monoplane, seating five or six passengers, and cruising at about 160-170 m.p.h.

DISGUISED GIRL 'SPY' BETRAYED BY STRIDE

Moscow, Apr. 1.

A GIRL disguised as an old peasant woman was arrested yesterday as she was boarding a train for Moscow.

Her youthful stride betrayed her to the railway police guard.

She is being held as a spy.

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Woman Who Became A "Babbling" Infant

Richmond, Va., Apr. 1.

The weird story of a middle-aged woman whose mental growth was arrested by the shock of her husband's death and who reverted to adolescence, childhood, "babbling infancy," and finally died, was revealed here by a Richmond psychiatrist.

In an article in the *Virginia Medical Monthly*, Dr. Beverly R. Tucker told of the bizarre case of "second childhood" in which growing children watched their mother slide backwards in life, running the inverse gamut of 60 years of life in four years.

Dr. Tucker said the woman entered his sanitarium in 1931 when she was 61 and her children were in their early twenties.

He described her as a strange, "childlike" figure, hunched unattractively in bed from shortening of cords in her legs which gave to her limbs the bowed effect of a baby's.

He said first signs of the regression, which he ascribed as due entirely to psychological causes, occurred when her husband died and the woman, daughter of a prominent southern family, was "suddenly overwhelmed with responsibility."

She began to feel that she should be younger in order to understand her children and be more companionable with them," Dr. Tucker said. "So when the usual period of mourning was over she dressed and decorated herself as a younger woman."

"She sought companionship of younger married couples and attempted to take up their activities."

This attempt to revert to her children's way of living apparently was unsuccessful, he said, and the mother "then started going out with them, adopted their friends and dressed like her daughter."

However, the children, he said, grew older as the mother grew "younger" and she found she could not grow older with them.

"It was not long before she gave the children considerable anxiety," the physician said. "They had to direct her goings and comings and try to persuade her to converse less flippantly. The mother continued to get younger at the rate of a year every few months."

When she entered the sanitarium she was "a nice little girl in short dresses," he said. "She read simple things, but rather badly; she craved attention; she talked childishly and pleasantly; she would play with objects as if they were toys."—United Press.

GOLDEN CANOPY MADE FOR KING

London, Apr. 1.

The golden canopy that will be held over the King and Queen during the anointing ceremony at the Coronation in May is being made at the Royal School of Needlework by 35 of the finest needlewomen in Great Britain.

The fine embroidery on the Queen's dress and train probably will also be executed at the school, and the King's robe, which was made there in 1902 for King Edward VII., will be remodelled and renovated.

The King's robe is of cloth, embroidered all over with coloured emblems, red Tudor roses, green shamrocks, purple thistles and silver eagles.

Made of cloth of gold, the canopy will be lined with white satin, appliqued with 18 raised silver eagles finished with silver tassels. Miss H. Girdlestone, who helped to make the canopy used at King Edward VII's coronation, is in charge of the work.

At the Queen's request the school has submitted designs for the embroidery of her Coronation dress, which will be of white satin, and of train of purple velvet. The designs to be worked in gold, silver and damask, include the rose, shamrock, thistle, daffodil and emblems of all the Dominions and Colonies.—United Press.



ANCIENT CEREMONY — Queen Mary of Great Britain, in an ancient ceremony in London, presents leeks to an officer of the Welsh Guards on St. David's day. The leek, emblem of the Welsh, who wear its leaves in their hats on the festival day of their patron saint. Above, an aide hands the packages to the Queen.

200 WARSHIPS, 400 AIRPLANES READY FOR WAR GAME

By Carroll Kenworthy
United Press Staff Correspondent

Washington, April 15.

Sky fighting on a greater scale than ever known in sea "war" was ahead for the United States fleet to-day as it prepared to steam into the north Pacific from California ports for annual naval manoeuvres.

Two hundred fighting ships, comprising most of the underaged combat units in the navy, were marshalled to take part in the games over an expanse of 2,000,000 square miles.

The "arena" ahead of them is a great triangle 2,000 miles or more on each side, reaching from California to the Aleutian Islands, off Alaska, on one side and thence to the Hawaiian Islands near mid-Pacific. The Midway Islands, 1,200 miles northwestward of Hawaii, will figure also in the operations, it was indicated.

Air power was tested in this region by naval manoeuvres held there two years ago, but to-day more squadrons of flying craft than ever before are available for the games.

IF BRITONS ARE 4,000,000 IN 1999

There Will Be No Germans
SIR W. L. BROWN'S CALCULATION

Professor Sir Walter Langdon, addressing a Birth Control Association Conference at Nottingham by statistics which tried to prove that by the end of this century our population would have fallen to four millions because on the same basis of calculation Germany would have ceased to have any population at all.

However much that might contribute to the peace of Europe, it was not likely to happen.

He believed a higher standard of wealth and more settled conditions would lead to the reduction of more children to enjoy them, and thus with minor fluctuation the balance would be maintained.

Nothing, he continued, promoted physical, mental, moral, and spiritual well-being so much as happy marriage.

"We do not advocate childless marriages," he said. "I doubt whether any man and I am sure that no woman, is complete without parenthood."

LIMITATION OF FAMILIES

It was precisely those with the deepest sense of responsibility who were anxious to ensure that by limitation of numbers every child should have the best possible chance. It might be said that could be achieved by a further extension of the Social Services. But that could easily be extended to a point—if it had not already been reached—when the provision had to be made for the maintenance of the improvident, and for those who had little sense of responsibility towards children.

He was told that birth control meant defeat in war. It would be truer to say that lack of birth control bred war. The fear of war had been a powerful deterrent to many women from having children.

Last year in England and Wales there were 600,000 live births, and (although figures were naturally difficult to obtain) it had been estimated that there were at least 90,000 abortions. The logical conclusion seemed to be that proper medical advice on birth control should be available rather than that 90,000 women should be driven each year to adopt such a terribly dangerous practice.

400 YEARS OF THE H. A. C. THE OLDEST REGIMENT

REVIEW BY THE KING

By A Correspondent

The Honourable Artillery Company, which claims to be the oldest regiment in the British Army, though the date of actual origin has been lost in the mists of time, is busily preparing to celebrate its 400th anniversary of the granting of Charter of Incorporation by Henry the Eighth.

These celebrations might be said to begin in May when the H.A.C., for the first time in half a century, will take part in the Royal Tournament, 124 men of all ranks appearing in the episode, "A Field Day of 1829."

Because these civilian soldiers, members of the senior unit in the Territorial Force, are "something in the City" by day, the episode is being presented only at night performances, save on the opening afternoon, when the Tournament is opened by the King, Captain-General of the H.A.C.

Then in July the regiment holds high revelry for a week in token of its proud record, and will have as guests nearly 100 members of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company of Boston, Massachusetts, who will be in England, out of compliment to their "parent" unit. On July 9 there is to be a ball, attended by 3,000 members and their friends, given in a great marquee erected on the Artillery Ground, Finsbury, E.C. This is followed the following day by a regimental pageant and garden party, in which all ranks of the unit through four centuries will be seen.

SERVICE IN ST. PAUL'S

On Sunday, July 11, there is to be a regimental service of thanksgiving at St. Paul's Cathedral, followed by a banquet on the 12th at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W., which will be attended by 2,000 people, including the Duke of Gloucester, who joined the H.A.C. in 1935. On the 13th the H.A.C. members will themselves be entertained by their comrades from Boston.

At the Guildhall on July 14 the City Corporation, so closely linked with the Company through the centuries, are giving a reception which, it is expected, will be attended by members of the Royal Family, and on Monday, July 19, the entire regiment will be reviewed by the King.

The men from Boston will be taken to Windsor and shown the house where the English emigrant—one of the H.A.C.—who inaugurated their regiment in 1638 was born, and next year, when the Boston unit is 300 years old, a delegation will set out from Armoury House to join in the rejoicings.

2,000 YEAR LEASE

"We have our ground on perpetual lease from the City Corporation," I was told at Armoury House. "For years ago the lease was renewed for 2,000 years, so until the year 3933 we are not greatly concerned on the score of accommodation."

When Henry VIII. granted his Charter to a company of citizen archers, known as "the Fraternity or Guild of St. George," he instructed these men, in return for certain privileges still jealously guarded by the "citizens," to practice the science and feat of shooting "with longbow, crossbow, and handgun for the defence of the realm, and with the change in policy the word 'Artillery' crept into the title.

So began 400 years of City military history. In time the Fraternity became known as "the Artillery Company." The prefix "Honourable" came into use in 1685, to be officially confirmed by Queen Victoria nearly two centuries later. The word "military" was used—and is, indeed, still used—in its old sense, and does or may have any connection with artillery in the modern sense. It was not until 1781 that the Artillery Division of the regiment was formed to work brass three-pounder guns presented by a grateful City for H.A.C. services during the Gordon Riots.

The regimental muster roll, preserved in "The Great Vellum Book," served in "The Great Vellum Book," is part of English history. In it we find the signatures of Pepys, elected a Steward in 1677; Prince Rupert, the Royalist leader; the ill-fated Monmouth; Charles II.; James II.; William III.; down to the present day.

DEFENCE OF CALAIS

Members of the regiment marched 300 strong in the funeral procession of Sir Philip Sidney, who resisted highwaymen and footpads; and with splendid impartiality the Company took part in the funeral ceremony of Oliver Cromwell and the triumphal entry of Charles the Second into London at the Restoration. Members also fought in the last defence of Calais.

It is unnecessary to dwell at length on the recent history of the Company—how it provided almost the entire personnel of the City Battery and also Infantry and mounted Infantry in the South African War; how between 1914 and 1918 units fought on every front and supplied more than 4,000 officers for the Armies.

The H.A.C. is greeting its anniversary in the happy position of being over establishment, and at the moment the total membership of the Company, active and veteran, is more than 2,000.

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telephone, water, flush, two bath-
rooms, servants' quarters, garden,
garage. Apply Chung Ma Lo, Chok
See Kong, Canton.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES

The Steamship
"YANG TSE"
No. 6 AEO/37

Bringing Cargo from Dunkirk via
ports etc., arrived Hongkong on
Wednesday, 14th April, 1937.
Consignees are hereby informed
that their goods with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables
are being landed and stored into the
Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kow-
loon, whence delivery may be ob-
tained immediately after landing.
All claims must be sent in to me
on or before 24th April, 1937, or they
will not be recognized.
Damaged Packages will be exam-
ined by the Company's Surveyor
Messrs—Goddard and Douglas in
the presence of the Consignees at
10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 20th April,
1937.

Consignees must have a Revenue
Officer in attendance when any
dutiable goods are examined by the
Company's Surveyors.
No Fire Insurance will be effected
by us in any case whatever.

OH.
Agent.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1937.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of
to-day's markets:—The markets to-
day registered the third consecutive
advance since the Wagner Act was
upheld by the United States Supreme
Court, but trading on the whole was
dull. Steel issues staged the best
gains, into which issues some switch-
ing from motors is reported. The
latter stocks showed small gains in
a still feeble rally. Copper shares
recovered on the basis of firm metal
prices. Among oils, several issues
reached new high levels. Paper
issues were higher on record news-
print output. American Smelting,
Anaconda Copper, Cerro de Pasco,
Kennecott Mining and Phelps Dodge
all registered gains of a point or
more. Mercantiles were firm. The
bonds market was higher. Stocks on
the Curb Exchange were irregularly
higher.

S. C. & F. Wall Street Journal
comment:—The first-quarter
earnings of the American Telephone
Company are likely to cover dividend
needs. Some motor accessory shares
are favoured over leading motor
issues temporarily. Bulls consider
that the market's action is satisfac-
tory, but Wall Street anticipates a
secondary reaction before any sus-
tained advance occurs. It is gos-
siped that Allied Chemical will
increase its common dividend. It is
reported that foreign interests are
buying copper shares. It is rumoured
that there will be a further advance
in tyre prices.

S. C. & F. New York office cables:
Stocks: This market was again
subjected to profit-taking after early
strength, but there were no signs of
heavy pressure. Oil and utility
securities acted better than most
stocks, the former responding to
rumours of an early advance in
crude oil prices and expectations of
largely increased earnings. The event
of a renewed decline. Business
failures for the week amounted to
190.

Cotton: This market was quiet
but steady. Liquidation was less in
evidence, with no follow up on ad-
vance. Buyers are awaiting more
evidence of the trend. The proposed
Government retrenchment about off-
sets the slowly reviving inflation
sentiment as a market factor. Official
March domestic consumption is es-
timated at 779,302 bales. Both the
textile and "spot" market ruled quiet.
Out of 12 leading brokers, 3 are
bullish, 3 are bearish and 6 are
neutral.
Wheat: The market is awaiting
rumour of export demand. There
is some belief that requirements are
filled for the present. Few adverse

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.
NOTICE.

The Public are hereby notified
of the following Traffic arrange-
ments which will be enforced for
the official embarkation at 11 a.m.
of H.E. Sir Andrew Caldecott,
K.C.M.G., C.B.E., at Queen's Pier
on Friday, the 15th April.

1. Connaught Road Central
from Pedder Street to Jackson
Road will be entirely closed to
vehicular traffic from 10.30 a.m.
to 11.40 a.m. (approx.).

2. Motor cars conveying guests
to Queen's Pier will proceed by
way of Jackson Road to the Hong
Kong Club where the guests will
alight and walk to the Pier. Cars
will be parked in Connaught Road
Central, east of the Hong Kong
Club.

3. No parking will be per-
mitted in Jackson Road; Wardley
Street, north of the Statue; or
Connaught Road Central between
Queen's Pier and Star Ferry until
12 noon.

T. H. KING,
Inspector General of Police.
15th April, 1937.
Hong Kong.

**UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY
OF CANTON, LTD.**
Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Society will be
held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union
Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY,
16th APRIL, 1937, at 2.30 o'clock
p.m., for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors and the
Statements of Accounts to 31st
December, 1936, and of declaring
Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS
of the Society will be CLOSED
from 29th MARCH to 16th APRIL,
Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LTD.**
Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the SIXTY-EIGHTH OR-
DINARY YEARLY MEETING of the
Company will be held at its
HEAD OFFICE, Union Building,
Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 16th
APRIL, 1937, at 2.50 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors and the State-
ments of Accounts to 31st Decem-
ber, 1936, and of declaring Divi-
dends, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS
of the Company will be CLOSED
from 29th MARCH to 16th APRIL,
Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

**BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMP NY, LTD.**
Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the SEVENTY-FIRST OR-
DINARY YEARLY MEETING of the
Company will be held at its
HEAD OFFICE, Union Building,
Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 16th
APRIL, 1937, at 2.55 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors and the State-
ments of Accounts to 31st Decem-
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The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS
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Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

crop reports and mention of dust
storms are standing influences, but
the majority of other market factors
are favourable. Australian stocks
have increased by 14,000,000 bushels.
Corn: Demand is less aggressive in
view of expected Argentine and Lake
shipments at the end of the month.
Rubber: Early indications of fac-
tory demand have not been con-
firmed. The market is nervous and
unsettled.

REUTER QUOTATIONS
Dow Jones Averages Apr. 13 Apr. 14
30 Industrials 182.10 181.05
20 Rails 60.20 60.31
20 Utilities 31.42 31.52
40 Bonds 100.66 101.10
11 Commodity Index 77.47 77.70

OFFICIAL SOUVENIR PROGRAMME

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Smuggling Decrease Indicated

**Commons Discusses
Chinese Affairs**

Recent reports give ground for
thinking the situation with regard
to smuggling in North China is
generally improving. Mr. Anthony
Eden, the Foreign Secretary, told a
questioner in the House of Commons
to-day that he would consider whether
any further action that could usefully be
taken.

Mr. A. C. Moreing, Conservative,
asked whether the British Ambassa-
dor to China had furnished a report
on the arbitrary reduction of rents
on property owned by Britons in
favour of Chinese tenants.
Mr. Eden said he was informed by
a sub-committee of the British
Chamber of Commerce, with which
he discussed the matter, that effec-
tive action seemed impossible until
an instance occurred which could be
made the subject of a test case.
Meanwhile, the question would
doubtless figure in the international
petition which was being presented to
the Chinese Government.—Reuter.

Still Bound By Locarno

**Signatories Hold In
Spite Of Breaches**

His Majesty's Government are
still bound by the first paragraph
of Section Three of the text of the
proposals of March 10, 1936, by
which they declared, as regards their
obligations to France and Belgium,
that nothing that had happened be-
fore or since the breach of the
Treaty of Locarno could be con-
sidered as having freed the signa-
tories of that Treaty from any of
their obligations or guarantees, and
that the latter subsisted in their
entirety.
This statement was made by the
Foreign Secretary in the House of
Commons in answer to a member
who enquired if Britain were still
bound by the Locarno Treaty in view
of Germany's denunciation and
Belgium's approaching release from
its obligations.—British Wireless.

STRIKE LEADERS BANISHED

**LABOUR QUESTIONS
COLONIES SECRETARY**

London, Apr. 14.
Arising from the recent strikes in
rubber plantations in Selangor and
Negri Sembilan, Mr. John Parker,
Labour M.P. for Romford, asked, in
the House of Commons to-day, un-
der what authority the strike organi-
sers were banished from Selangor.
Mr. W. Ormsby-Gore, Secretary of
State for the Colonies, replied that
Labour Unions were legal in the
Malay States, but he was unaware
of any cases of expulsion simply in
respect of the organisation of strikes.
Mr. Ormsby-Gore added that some
expulsions were ordered where
industrial disputes were misused for
the purpose of incitement to violence
and disorder.—Reuter.

CAPITULATIONS ABOLISHED

Montreux, Apr. 14.
Contrary to expectations, the Com-
mission of nations discussing Article
One of the draft convention dealing
with Egypt's law administration,
unanimously agreed to the principle
of abolition of capitulations, subject
to slight alterations in the text of the
original draft, which will be re-
ferred to the drafting committee.—
Reuter.

Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Companies are
requested to forward, as
early as possible information,
regarding arrivals, depar-
tures, time and mooring
place and other movements.
Urgent information should
be telephoned to the ship-
ping Editor, Phone 26615.

PORT DIRECTORY

ANIMA MARU (N.Y.K.), Kowloon
Wharf.
BENVENUE (Ben Line), Kowloon
Wharf.
BULYSSSES (Lorley), Kowloon Bay.
CHENGTE (B. & S.), B.21.
CHUNGKING (B. & S.), B.1.
DAVIKEN (J.M.), West Point Wharf.
FU LONG (Master), Yau-mat.
FUKUKEN MARU (O.S.K.), O.S.K.
Wharf.
GRANVILLE (Bank Line), Stone-
cutters.
GRAYSTOCK CASTLE (Dodwell),
Talkoo Dock.
HAI HANG (Douglas), B.12.
HAIKONG (B. & S.), B.12.
HELIOS (Thorsen), B.10.
HUIYO MARU (N.Y.K.), Kowloon
Bay.
HENRIK (Chin Seng Hong), B.4.
HONGKONG MARU (O.S.K.), O.S.K.
Wharf.
KATIE MOLLER (Dodwell), B.26.
KINRYO MARU (M.S.K.), Kowloon
Bay.
LIANGSHU (B. & S.), B.15.
LIANGSHU (B. & S.), Talkoo Dock.
LYEEMOON (W. Fat Sing), B.6.
MARLY (K. Larsen), D.G.A.
MICHIGAN (States), A.2.
PERSIUS (B. & S.), Holt's Wharf.
SHOUSING (D.K.K.), Kowloon Wharf.
SHANTUNG (B. & S.), B.3.
SILVERSANDAL (Furness), Talkoo
Dock.
STANLEY (Shun Cheong), Kwong
Wing Wharf.
TAL LEE (Lee Tai Hong), Yau-mat.
TALTYBIUS (B. & S.), Holt's
Wharf.
TASMANIA (Jebson), A.5.
TENDAI MARU (D.K.K.), A.12.
TENDAI MARU (N.Y.K.), in Dock.
TINHOW (Bank), Kowloon Dock Wall.
TJISALAK (J.C.L.), A.10.
VAN HEUTZ (J.C.L.), in Dock.
VAN HEUTZ (J.C.L.), 30311.
WING WAI (Tai Fong Hong), B.12.
WING WO (Tai Fong & Co.), West
Point.
WONG SHER KUNG (Hing Lee), B.11.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
CINGALESE PRINCE (Furness) from
America, daylight, Junk Bay, 23165.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN (C.P.S.) from
Manila, 10 a.m., Kowloon Wharf, 20762.
HINSANG (J.M.) from Sandakan, 3
p.m., B.22, 30311.
KWANGTUNG (B. & S.) from Shang-
hai, noon, West Point, 30331.
RANPURA (P. & O.) from Singapore,
noon, Kowloon Wharf, 27721.
TAIYUAN (B. & S.) from Canton,
noon, West Point, 30331.
TILAWA (B. I.) from Manila, noon,
Kowloon Wharf, 27721.
YINGCHOW (B. & S.) from Amoy,
noon, West Point, 30331.

SAILED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
AJAX (J.C.L.) for Shanghai, day-
light, Holt's Wharf, 28015.
CHEKIANG (B. & S.) for Swatow,
noon, West Point, 30331.
HAI LEE (Thorsen) for Amoy, 4 p.m.
West Point, 30331.
HAI TAN (Douglas) for Swatow, 4
p.m., Douglas Wharf, 28037.
KAIFAI (Millamson) for Canton, 8
p.m., B.13, 23766.
KWANGCHOW (B. & S.) for Shang-
hai, 6 p.m., West Point, 30331.
PRESIDENT TAFT (Dollar) for
Manila, 1 a.m., Kowloon Wharf, 28171.
PROCTOR (Larsen) for Saigon, 8
a.m., B.6, 20998.
PROMINENT (J.M.) for Shanghai,
noon, B.22, 30311.
SINGAPORE MARU (M.B.K.) for
Singapore, 6 a.m., Kowloon Wharf,
30271.
SINGKIANG (B. & S.) for Swatow,
10 a.m., West Point, 30331.
STEAMER (B. & S.) for Swatow, 3
p.m., West Point, 30331.
TAIYUAN (B. & S.) for Amoy, 8 p.m.,
West Point, 30331.

LABOUR CHARGES BRITAIN AIDING SPANISH REBELS

(Continued from Page 1.)
of Bilbao, was defeated by 345 to
130.—Reuter.

Non-Intervention

London, Apr. 14.
The Chairman's sub-committee of
the International Committee for the
application of the agreement regard-
ing non-intervention in Spain will
meet at the Foreign Office to-morrow
morning.
It is understood the Committee will
have before it communication from the
Non-Intervention Board regard-
ing the date for the coming into force
of the control scheme, and it is
believed the date recommended is
early next week.
The question of withdrawal of
volunteers from Spain will also be
on the sub-committee's agenda.—
British Wireless.

Abandons Effort

London, Apr. 14.
The British-Commercial Secretary
at Hendaye is not going to Burgos
this week, as he intended, but will
continue certain trade discussions
with the Burgos authorities. This
week is totally unconnected with the
Bilbao situation and his proposed
effort to obtain a guarantee for the
safety of British ships bound for Bil-
bao has been abandoned.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE.

POSTAL ANNOUNCEMENT
The Public are reminded that the postage on Printed Papers,
Commercial Papers, Samples and Small Packets must be fully pre-
paid. Insufficiently prepaid Printed Papers etc. are not forwarded.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters, Postcards and Samples for Europe and South America
are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Kingyuan	April 15.
Shanghai	Luchow	April 15.
Shanghai and Amoy	Nanchang	April 15.
Shanghai, Foochow and Swatow	Sulyang	April 15.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia, London 30th March.	Cathay	April 16.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	April 16.
Manila	General Sherman	April 16.
Saigon	Jean Laborde	April 16.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 27th March)	Pres. Jefferson	April 16.
Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	April 17.
Straits	Somali	April 17.
Japan	Tokiwa Maru	April 17.
Bangkok and Swatow	Atago Maru	April 18.
Amoy	Kweiyang	April 18.
Manila	Ninghai	April 18.
Shanghai	Pres. Coolidge	April 18.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	Andre Lebon	April 18.
Manila	Atrous	April 19.
Straits	Chaksang	April 19.
Shanghai	Pres. Taft	April 19.
Japan	Cremer	April 20.
	Memon	April 20.
	Santos Maru	April 20.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than
the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are
advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails
are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Straits	Thursdays	Thurs. Apr. 15, Noon.
Air Mail for Canton and Districts	C.N.A.C. plane	Thurs. Apr. 15, Noon.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Thurs. Apr. 15, Noon.
Fort Bayard	Wing Wah	Thurs. Apr. 15, 1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foo- chow and N. China (via Shanghai)	C.N.A.C. plane	Thurs. Apr. 15, 1.30 p.m.
	Shengwan P.O.	Thurs. Apr. 15, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Thurs. Apr. 15, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Thurs. Apr. 15, 5 p.m.
	K.P.O.	Thurs. Apr. 15, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Thurs. Apr. 15, 5 p.m.

Friday

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, Empire of Japan	Empress of Japan	Fri., Apr. 16.
U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Vancouver, B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver, B.C., 4th May—and Europe via Siberia.	Reg.	Fri., Apr. 16, 9.15 a.m.
Letters for "Imperial Airways R.M.A. Delphinus direct Service"—due London 25th April	Reg.	Fri., Apr. 16, 9.30 a.m.
Letters for Australia by "Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin 20th April	Reg.	Fri., Apr. 16, 9.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thurs- day Island, 27th April.	Reg.	Fri., Apr. 16, 9.30 a.m.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Fri., Apr. 16, 1 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Jean Laborde	Fri., Apr. 16, 1.30 p.m.
Manila, Bombay and Europe via Brindisi—due Brindisi, 7th May.	Conte Rosso	Fri., Apr. 16, 1.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 16, 1.30 p.m.
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A tense moment in "A Doctor's Diary," the searching story of hospital life with John Trent, Helen Burgess, George Bancroft and Molly Lamont, which begins on Friday at the Alhambra Theatre.

CINEMA NOTES

The conflict which confronts a young doctor—duty to the woman he loves versus his devotion to the highest tenets of the code of medical ethics, forms the plot of "A Doctor's Diary," an intimate portrayal of the inside workings of a large metropolitan hospital, which is at the Alhambra Theatre to-day. John Trent, former ace flyer, who makes his appearance in a leading role in this film, is a young doctor with refreshing notions on how hospitals should be run. He is kept from expounding them by his fear of losing his job. His nurse, played by Helen Burgess, is dismissed when she criticizes the administration for neglecting a patient. When a charity patient, in the person of a young violin genius loses his arm through neglect, Trent, thereupon breaks their engagement. It is not long, however, before the young doctor is forced back to the hospital. He is re-employed on condition that he testifies falsely at a negligence trial. Made to realize that his duty best serves by continuing his quest for a paralysis cure, he accepts this condition. In a stirring climax he pays for the lie he is forced to utter but he sees the reforms for which he fought instituted at last. He also realizes that it was more than duty which attracted the young nurse to him. The brilliant cast includes George Bancroft in another of his bluff, hearty portrayals; Ruth Coleman, Sidney Blackmer, Molly Lamont, and a new child actor of exceptional charm and ability, Ru Hould.

"One Rainy Afternoon" Francis Lederer practises in real life the same sly humour which makes his screen characterisations such a delight. In Hollywood recent-tome, after an inspection of the King's Theatre to-day as star of "One Rainy Afternoon," the comedy which launches the new Pick-ford-Lasky producing affiliation, was browsing around a furniture shop. Two lady tourists, entering the store mistook the actor (who never wears a hat) for a clerk. By making frequent trips to the back room, where the real (and unsuspecting) clerk was engaged in a search for a particular item, Lederer succeeded in selling the several pieces of merchandise. As they were leaving, one of them peered closely at Lederer. "Have you ever been an actor?" she asked. "You look an awful lot like Francis Lederer." "Oh," laughed the star modestly. "That's what everyone tells me." Half an hour later, the lady tourists almost swooned when their "clerk" entered another shop on Hollywood boulevard where they were making a purchase and was addressed by the Proprietor as "Mr.



Joe E. Brown, famous comedian, now an RKO Radio star, will be seen in his latest and most hilarious film "When's Your Birthday?" at the Queen's Theatre from Sunday.

Lederer. "One Rainy Afternoon" is released through United Artists.

"Evelyn Prentice"

William Powell and Myrna Loy, who, teamed in photoplays of the mystery type, have won immense popularity, are reunited on one entirely different from anything they have done in the past in "Evelyn Prentice," a vivid Cosmopolitan production now playing at the Majestic Theatre. It is the drama of the work of a great criminal attorney, who, through an amazing trick of fate, finds his own wife entangled in the tangled maze of motives and evidence in which he is struggling to save a woman's life. Powell plays the amazingly clever criminal attorney whose feasts before a jury and whose brilliant coups make him a legal sensation. Miss Loy plays the society wife, who, through a misstep, finds herself linked to a murder case in which her husband is defending another woman. Suspense runs high, and an amazing denouement solves the mystery with a surprise to the audience. Comedy is aided by Edward Brophy, as Delaney, the comical special investigator. Harvey Stephens as Kennard, the Greenwich Village playboy, provides a new type of gentle "heavy." Rosalind Russell, New York stage star, plays an effective "vamp" as Nancy, and the tragic, beleaguered blonde defendant in the murder trial is played by Isabel Jewell. Little Cora Sue Collins, as the child of Powell and Miss Loy, adds to the already won in "Queen Christina" and other hits, and the rest of the cast is equally well chosen.

"Music Hath Charms"

Henry Hall is shortly to be seen in his first talking picture, a Wardour

PRETTY MACAO WEDDING WELL-KNOWN FAMILIES UNITED

Macao, Apr. 14. Two respected Portuguese families were united on Sunday morning in Macao when Miss Albertina Maria, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. da Silva Basto, became the bride of Alfredo Jose, second son of Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Anacleto da Silva.

The wedding ceremony took place in Penha Church at which Rev. Father Manuel Variz officiated. The bride who was given away by her father, Mr. A. M. da Silva Basto, looked charming in a beau d'antique gown tastefully trimmed. Her veil hung from a coronet containing orange blossoms and pearls.

The bridesmaids were Miss Maria Lourdes da Silva, a sister of the groom, and Miss Maria Leonor da Silva, cousin of the groom. They were elegantly attired in pink organ-die. The maid of honour was Alda Basto, the bride's sister, and the little flower girl, Maria Theresa da Silva, both of whom were attractive in blue organ-die. The page boy in dark blue with white satin blouse was Alberto da Silva.

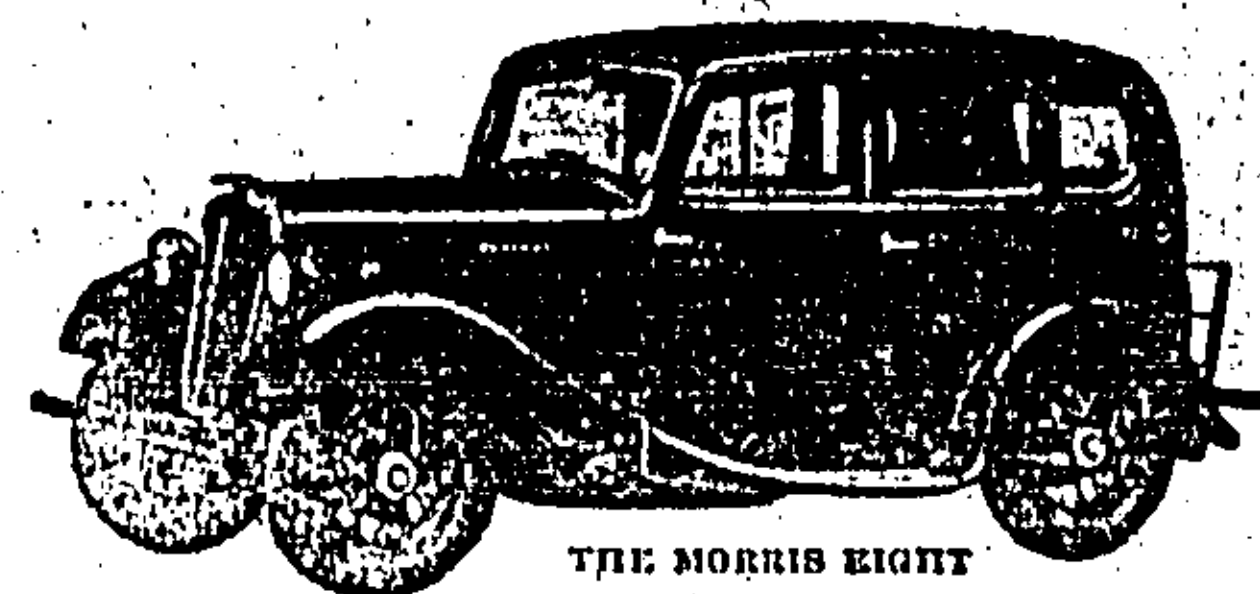
Mrs. Basto was becomingly dressed in an ancel-skin black gown while Mrs. da Silva, the bridegroom's mother, chose a black satin dress with silver lace.

Mr. Carlos da Silva, brother of the groom, assisted his father, as best man.

Following the nuptial ceremony, a reception was held at the Macao Club at which a large number of relatives and friends gathered to congratulate the happy pair and their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo J. da Silva left on the same afternoon for Hongkong where the honeymoon is being spent.—Our Own Correspondent.

offering made at Elstree by Associated British Picture Corporation, Ltd., and called "Music Hath Charms." The picture, while it contains many tuneful new numbers, is by no means a series of band recitals. There is an amusing sequence where Henry and the boys take a crowd of poor children to the country for the day, and there is a tensely thrilling sequence in the African jungles. Again, there is a romantic episode filmed at sea aboard a luxury liner, while yet another part of the film deals with a breach of promise case, which ends in a screamingly funny court scene. Finally, there is the incident where two young lovers get lost while on a climbing expedition in the Highlands of Scotland. All these various sequences, remote as they may seem, have been cleverly and logically connected together into a film that combines music, humour, drama and romance. "Music Hath Charms" is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.



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RADIO BROADCAST

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2.22 p.m. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.
2.30 p.m. Jeanne de Camille in "Uncle Arthur," a moral fantasy for organ and voices, by John Pinner. With Euginia Fort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ. Music composed by Jack Clarke.
3.10 p.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3.45 p.m.

Transmission 2

(G.S.B., G.R.C., G.S.H.)
7 a.m. Big Ben. A Pianoforte Recital by Lloyd Powell.
7.15 p.m. John Londen at Home—10. An evening with some of his many and various acquaintances.
7.45 p.m. Leslie Jones, at the Organ of the Radio Cinema, Coventry.
8 p.m. "Out for Adventure." A play with music. Episode 6: "Happy Ending." Story by Neil Thum. Music by Jack Clarke.
8.50 p.m. The Traders Cinema Orchestra.
8.55 p.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 9.15 p.m.
9.15 p.m. Musical Interlude.
9.25 p.m. "Food for Thought." Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

Transmission 3

(G.S.B., G.R.C., G.S.H.)
10 p.m. Big Ben. The Navy Bands: A Reminiscence Programme.
10.17 p.m. A Programme of Songs by Vaughan Williams.
11 p.m. Under Big Ben. A talk by Howard Marshall.
11.15 p.m. The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force.
12 a.m. Jeanne de Camille in "Uncle Arthur."
12.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.45 a.m.
12.55 a.m. Dance Music.

MACAO ART EXHIBITION

STUDENTS' FINE DISPLAY

Oil and water-colour paintings, and enlargements of photographs depicting local life and portraits in oil were attractively displayed in an exhibition which took place in the auditorium of the gymnasium of the Macao Lyceum.

The exhibition was opened last Saturday by H. E. the Acting Governor of Macao, Sr. Joao Crisostomo, after an inspection of the school.

H.E. the Governor, Dr. Tamagnini Barbosa, visited the exhibition on Monday afternoon, being welcomed by Mr. F. Lara Reis on behalf of the School Association. Dr. Barbosa was much impressed by the high standard of work and offered to give the first prize in next year's exhibition.

The display consisted of exhibits which were the work of students of the Lyceum, and it commanded a more than ordinary interest for a large number of local residents. Visitors from Hongkong to the exhibition were teachers of the To Sing Chinese Arts Institute of Hongkong and the Sung Sat School of Macao.—Our Own Correspondent.

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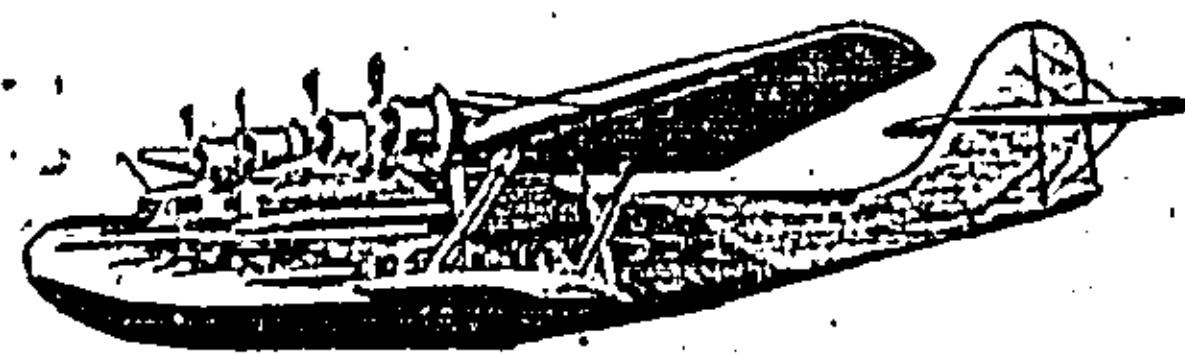
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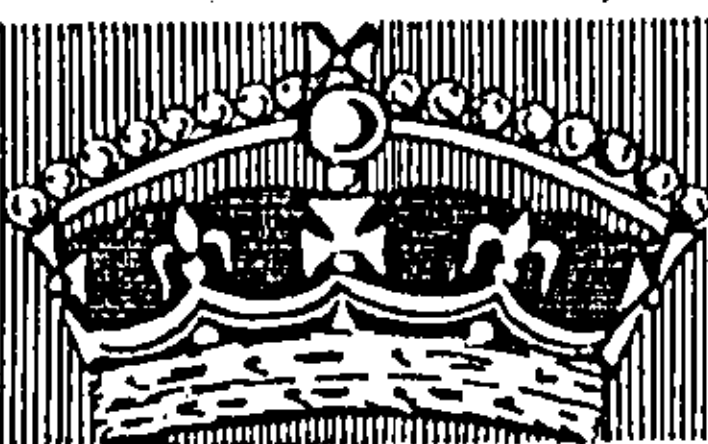
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THE COLONY'S LOSS

The Colony will to-morrow say farewell with very real and deeply-felt regret to His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott, who, during the relatively short period of their stay here, have won what can be rightly described as a wonderful degree of popularity. Sir Andrew Caldecott will have had the reputation of the shortest gubernatorial term of office in Hongkong's history; it is no mere platitude to say that he will also be remembered in the days to come as one of the very best and most capable Governors the Colony has ever had. It is a thousand pities that Hongkong could not have retained his services for the full period of five years. During the period of his incumbency, His Excellency has displayed an amazing grasp of the Colony's problems, which are altogether different from those with which he was called upon to deal during his lengthy service in Malaya. How clear-cut his conception of the essential needs of Hongkong are was made plainly evident in his valedictory address to the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon. No-one can have read that speech without feeling that Sir Andrew takes the right perspective of the Colony's problems and that, were he to stay with us longer, many of the questions which call for urgent attention would be taken in hand without undue delay. But though His Excellency is going to other spheres, it may be assumed that he will have left behind him some record of his views for the guidance of his successor. Apart from his marked administrative abilities, Sir Andrew has made many friends, and very real friends at that, amongst all circles of the Colony's cosmopolitan community, thanks to his charm of personality and his attributes as a "good mixer." The Colony will be the poorer by his departure and also by that of Lady Caldecott, who has been a worthy helpmeet to His Excellency and has shown a very lively interest and sympathetic concern in all movements conducive to the well-being of the Colony. It will, however, be some consolation both to His Excellency and to Lady Caldecott, in severing their connection with a Colony which they had come to like so much, to realise that their services have been so greatly appreciated by those who wish them all happiness in their new sphere of labour.

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THE QUEEN

is wearing a flat-crowned hat with a wide peak-like brim



THE DUCHESS OF KENT

is wearing this flat beret tilted forward, which shows her curls



THE PRINCESS ROYAL

Her hat is trimmed with wings



THE DUCHESS OF GLOUCESTER

wears a sort of Scottish bonnet of black velvet



—AND— PRINCESS ELIZABETH

doesn't usually wear a hat at all. This one has flowers round it

NEWS FROM A town near Enzesfeld

where

they are dancing all night every night they actually bother about politics the girls all go to gym. classes they have to have order-keepers at football matches

THERE is a new joke in Vienna; about the Duke of Windsor. Two Englishmen meet in a Continental train. Says one to the other: "Where are you going?"—"Vienna," is the reply. "Where's that?"—"A town near Enzesfeld."

The interest in the Duke's daily movements is declining now, so Enzesfeld village is not the fashionable place it was. The village inn, whose takings rose from £1 to £40 a day when a hundred journalists from every corner of the world ate and drank there, is now returning to normal trade.

The little boys of the village who played truant to watch the funny foreigners are now back under the schoolmaster's eye.

The Duke seems to have settled down there for some time. After April he will probably buy a house in Austria somewhere. Friends from England come and go. His daily routine is skiing, golf and skittles.

CHANCELLOR DR. KURT

VON SCHUSCHNIGG,

one-time provincial lawyer, is cock o' the walk. He is described as a side-

from the book—a reference to his school-masterish manner.

He likes riding horses and musical evenings. Otherwise he is rather colourless—but very clever.

Schuschnigg, by the way, is Europe's strongest dictator, al-

though he disavows the title. He stands on the shoulders of

two others—Hitler and Mussolini, both of whom guarantee him.

As long as Hitler and Mussolini stand shoulder to shoulder, Schuschnigg cannot fall.

Many think a peaceful union is already taking place between Austria and Germany. The much-hailed arrival of the German Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, yesterday is considered to be not without significance.

That is what the Jews think, anyway. Many who can are leaving Austria.

TO turn to lighter things, the Viennese butchering trade has quarrelled for years over the correct titles for the seventy-odd kinds of sausages the Viennese adore eating.

There were 180 names in existence, many of which duplicated one another. Some fancy name often concealed no more than our old friend the Frankfurter (U.S. "hot dog").

To end this anarchy Vienna butchers appointed a commission for the "normalisation" of the sausage trade. The commission has annihilated nearly two-thirds of the fancy names, and laid down precisely what ingredients each sausage type is to contain.

GYMNASIUM classes are the newest fashion among Viennese women. If you ask a girl to have a morning coffee nowadays she probably refuses "because I must go to my gym. class."

Scattered among hundreds of small gymnasia throughout the city many tons of Viennese pulchritude are to be heard, if not seen, punching medicine balls about before lunch.

I know two girls who are regulars. One goes to get slimmer, the other goes to fill out a bit.

FROM theatreland I have to report that our old favourite "Rose Marie" has just had a month's successful revival at the Stadttheater. "White Horse Inn" is next on the resuscitation list.

Sport: Austrian League teams have now to provide uniformed "order-keepers" on their home pitches. Their job is to prevent the bombardment of visiting teams, or fights between rival fans.

Plain-clothes "order-keepers" have been found unsatisfactory. Because they wore no uniforms to stamp them definitely as officials their order-keeping tended to be one-sided—leniency for offenders who supported the home team, great severity in dealing with the opposing team's partisans.

Vienna has just been through its 'flu epidemic like every other European capital. But it's rather proud that its death-roll from 'flu is the smallest.

"The Blue Danube," which has done more than even Hollywood to place Vienna on the entertainment map, has just celebrated its seventeenth anniversary with full musical honours before the Johann Strauss monument. It is still going strong, like Vienna.

Dennis

Clarke

OCCASIONALLY he visits Vienna—more frequently now that the excitement about his presence is dying down. He looks fit and makes progress at the most difficult of all sports, skiing.

The other day I watched him come down a slope in fine style, finishing up with a "Christiania," a turn that takes some doing. His handsome, blue-eyed young instructor, Walter Dellekarth, tells me that the reason of the Duke's progress is his athletic talent. He calls him his best pupil.

THERE is one thing the Viennese and British have in common; both take their pleasures seriously.

Take "Fasching," Vienna's carnival season, which is just now nearing its end. There is a great public ball nearly every night and the whole city goes deliberately gay.

Vienna, which in ordinary times is quite a quiet, sensible town, goes Viennese—in the Hollywood sense of the word.

Every Viennese, from the wealthiest to those who can borrow a dress suit and the price of a reduced ticket, takes his girl, dear, or his wife, or somebody else's wife to a ball.

It is a serious business—a point of honour with the true Viennese to cover as many miles of dance floor as his legs will carry him and stay up till dawn the walk. The fact the dictator who learned the job that he enjoys himself is a side-

Each ball is opened in grand, old-fashioned style. The young ladies' and gentlemen's committee, after a parade round the ball-room under the eyes of mothers and fathers, pair up and spin off into a dizzy Viennese waltz to a Johann Strauss tune. After that it's a free-for-all.

NOTHING will stop the Viennese talking about politics. Living on the pulse of central Europe, they talk politics as we talk racing.

One of Vienna's countless political jokes—all good ones—are originally Viennese models—runs thus:

Two men sit silent and dejected together in a coffee-house. Eventually one breaks the silence to sigh, "Oh, dear," and again relapses into gloom.

Ten minutes later the other opens his mouth and echoes "Oh, dear." Whereat the first one says sharply, "Do let's stop talking politics all the time."

MANCHESTER CITY ALMOST LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

RIFLES HAVE A GOLDEN CHANCE OF WINNING CHAMPIONSHIP

YESTERDAY'S IMPORTANT FOOTBALL VICTORY

Efforts to catch up on the congested first division football league fixtures were hampered yesterday by the rainstorm which broke over Hongkong yesterday afternoon. It caused the postponement of three senior division fixtures, water-logged grounds making it impossible for the following matches to be played:—Kowloon v. St. Joseph's, Club v. Kowloon Chinese, Seaforts v. Recreio.

However, Royal Ulster Rifles and Royal Welch Fusiliers played off their tie under difficulties, the Rifles winning comfortably. This places them at the head of the table, two points better than South China "A" with the same number of games played. Rifles are once again presented with a golden chance of winning the championship.

Ulster Rifles 4 R. W. Fusiliers 0

(Moore & Killen)

Royal Ulster Rifles yesterday met what was expected to be their chief obstacle before the end of the football season, but they were fortunate to find the Royal Welch Fusiliers well below strength. A comfortable victory for the Rifles resulted and they are now nicely placed at the top of the first division table, two points ahead of South China "A", and both teams having three matches outstanding.

The match was played under difficult conditions on the Prince Edward Road ground, a torrential downpour making the pitch very heavy and causing considerable handicap to the players. This, in fact, was the only match out of a schedule of four in the first division to be played.

Fusiliers, playing without Talbot, Taylor and Roberts, were outclassed by the Rifles, to whom full credit must be given for the manner in which they adapted themselves to the conditions.

Under the circumstances the winners played excellent football and thoroughly deserved the points. Moore continued his recent good form by scoring a hat-trick, and it was encouraging to the league leaders' supporters to note how well Erwin and Killen played together.

The Riflemen shot hard and fast, and means of quick inter-passing made it difficult for Wheeler and Keating to cover up. The winners were far and away the better-balanced side, and need only to repeat this form in their remaining matches to win the championship.

The Fusiliers defended very stoutly but were handicapped in having a rearranged forward line. Rowlands played very well in goal and the backs tried desperately hard to avert the inevitable.

The Rifles scored two goals in each half. Moore scored the first and added a second from Erwin's pass. Killen drove in a third after the interval and Moore contributed another before the close, again from Erwin's accurate centre.



R. Xavier (left) and R. Marques, two schoolboy hockey players who appear regularly for the Argonauta team and have also represented Portugal in the International Tournament. Their further achievements this season include representation in the Inter-Section Tournament.

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY MATCH

IMPORTANT TIE IN CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

RADIO V. C.B.A.

(By "The Pilgrim")

The first of three encounters to decide the championship of the Marnak Hockey Tournament is being played this afternoon, the contestants being Central British Association and Radio Sports Club.

The match will be played on the U.S.R.C. ground, bully-off at 5.15.

As yet the C.B.A. have an unbeaten record, but they will find the Radio very powerful opposition. Radio have beaten such formidable teams as the Argonauta "A" and K.I.T.C. "A". General opinion agrees that Central British are winners of the "A" Division enjoyed a somewhat easy passage to the final, as the majority of the stronger teams were in the "B" Division.

Here are the records of the two teams:

RADIO SPORTS CLUB	
(Champions of "B" Division)	
beat K.I.T.C. "B"	7-2
beat R.A.O.C.	5-0
beat H.M.S. Signals	2-1
beat H.M.S. Adventure	3-0
beat Argonauta "A"	1-0
beat Submarines	3-0
beat K.I.T.C. "A"	2-0
beat "C" Coy. R.U.R.	5-1
beat "B" Coy. R.U.R.	6-0
lost to "D" Coy. R.U.R.	0-1
Received w.o. from H.M.S. Dainty	

CENTRAL BRITISH ASSOCIATION	
(Champions "A" Division)	
beat Argonauta "B"	2-0
beat "B" Coy. R.U.R.	5-0
beat H.M.S. Adventure	2-0
beat "B" Coy. R.U.R.	8-0
beat "A" Coy. R.U.R.	7-0
beat H.M.S. Duncan	5-1
beat H.O. R.U.R.	2-0
beat R. Engineers	6-1
beat Nomads	6-1
beat 24th Bty. R.A.	2-1

Lynch May Defy Boxing Board

By TREVOR WIGNALL

FOLLOWERS of boxing in Scotland are more than ever up in arms over the threat of the British Boxing Board of Control to deprive Benny Lynch, the British and world fly-weight champion, of his title if he fights Jimmy Warrack, of Ireland, under championship conditions in Glasgow in June.

Mystery was added to the matter recently by an alleged statement of the board that it had not come to any such decision, but Mr. George Dingley, the promoter of the contest, telephoned me from Glasgow and read to me a letter Lynch had received from the B.B.C.C.

This stated: "In connection with your contest with Warrack, at championship weight, which Mr. Dingley proposes to run in June, I have to inform you that under our rules you cannot fight at championship weight, and if you do the stewards would have to withdraw your licence, when you would automatically cease to hold the championship title."

SEEKING ADVICE

A letter of a somewhat similar kind was also received by Mr. Dingley.

Mr. Dingley, who is highly indignant at what he describes as a high-handed action, informed me that he and Lynch would seek legal advice, and on it would depend whether the bout would be staged.

He pointed out that the inconsistency of the B.B.C.C. was made plainer by the fact that they have

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Clubhouse Chatter

By "Veritas"

COLONY'S WINTER SPORTS COMING TO AN END

Final Fling This Month

HONGKONG'S winter sports are on the wane. Cricket and badminton have concluded; hockey is having its final fling; rugby is all but ended; soccer has but a few weeks to run. Very soon a pity such an energetic game has to be played during the summer months and swimming will be occupying the attention of our sportsmen. In the meantime it is well to glance back on the season now in the course of completion.

League Cricket

LEAGUE cricket was not without unusual aspects. For the first time for many years two teams finished on level terms in the first division, and although an effort was made last Saturday to arrive at a definite decision, a drawn match between the Club and R.U.R. left them as joint holders of the shield. The standard of play was only average, but the season revealed several young players of promise. Holden was a successful bowler for the Club; Neve showed talent as a batsman, and a flicker of what above the average. The Indians found a couple of stylish and enterprising batsmen in Y. de Aruili and A. R. Abbas, and a useful bowler in M. R. Aruili. All the same the chief burdens were again carried by A. R. Abbas and A. H. Madar. Kowloon Minut and R.U.R. boasted the team of most possibilities in the senior division, but they disappointed. They drew matches with Craigie and the Indians when both were almost certain to win, and they lost to the Club when they allowed Holden to bluff them out after he had had a couple of dozen runs scored from his first two overs. Donald Anderson's batting and R. Lee's bowling overshadowed every other feature of the match. Both players have only to reproduce the same form when next season starts to ensure inclusion in the Interport side.

Baxter's Promise

IN the second division, K.C.C., the eventual champions, produced a batting "discovery" in Ken Baxter, who had his first season out of school cricket. Baxter, sound in defence, and well equipped with scoring strokes, made his half-century regularly finishing with an average of over 50. In time he will develop his in-front-of-the-wicket shots which at the moment are not so much a liability as a hindrance. He has beautiful wrists and square cuts, and leg glance which many a better known player might envy. Very sensibly Baxter did not worry about his bowling, but he has developed up to a certain point while at school, but in concentrating upon his batting he guaranteed the K.C.C. a regular contribution of 30 or more. Beyond Baxter no exceptional talent was revealed in this junior division. The Army turned out the excellent sides, and the Navy, until they had to fold Foster to the seniors, and then lost other stalwarts through manoeuvres, was one of the best-balanced teams in the division.

Badminton

MARKED advance was made in badminton during the winter. Several new players of unusual talent appeared successfully to threaten the hitherto unquestioned superiority of a few University and Club de Recreio players. The advent of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. provided a much-needed stimulus to the league, but the chief contribution to the improvement of the game was the organisation of badminton championships. Its biggest effect was to popularise the singles game, a phase of badminton which had previously been completely ignored in Hongkong. Doubtless though were many to participate in a game of which they had had little or no experience, they quickly discovered that it was worth while. At times the standard of play was exceptional—that is exceptional for Hongkong. P. H. Wong and P. K. Hui quickly established themselves as favourites, and it was a thousand pities, that because their form was unknown, they were not placed in different sections of the draw. They clashed in the semi-final to provide the finest display of singles badminton then seen in the Colony.

Better Support Please!

BUT there were other pleasing features of the season. The success of the league, of King's College, the improved form of Kowloon Tong, the continued keen competition between Recreio and University which this year ended in favour of the latter. Above all, the general lifting up of the standard of play throughout the Colony. The Badminton Association has good reason to believe that with the talent now available, the Colony could easily hold its own against repre-

sentative Shanghai and Tientsin teams. The next obvious step appears to be to test this belief. The only cause for complaint so far as the Association is concerned has been the somewhat cursory support given by Colony badminton players to the Association's functions. The finals and the Presentation Night, all of which were staged at the Club de Recreio, could have been, and should have been, much better supported by players. The Association makes it possible for some 100 or more players to enjoy properly organised and regular competitive badminton, and the least it should receive in return is whole-hearted co-operation and encouragement when it stages public functions. Every player can discover something of value in watching these various exhibitions, quite apart from the fact that such events enable players to meet each other in a social atmosphere. It is hoped that next season, those who enjoy the benefits of playing in the competitions organised by the Association will show more readiness in giving the administrative body a full measure of support in its other activities.

Japanese Soccer Team For Shanghai

PLAYING FIVE MATCHES

Shanghai, Apr. 13. Waseda University of Tokyo is sending to Shanghai a soccer side, and a programme has been arranged for their visit this month of five games. All matches will be played under the auspices of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation. In view of the visit, the Shanghai Football Association is not arranging any fixtures for the coming week-end. The Waseda programme, as announced, follows:
April 17—Waseda v. Association Sportive Francaise
April 21—Waseda v. Combined Chinese Colleges
April 24—Waseda v. C.N.A.A.F. side
April 28—Waseda v. Loyals
May 1—Waseda v. Combined foreign and Chinese side.

All matches are to be played at the Candromore, from 3 p.m., unless favourable light allows them to be started at 3.15 p.m.

Prices of admission will be: reserved seats \$2; general \$1 and fifty cents. Tickets for the series of five matches may be purchased: reserved \$8; general \$4 and \$2.

WASEDA BEATEN

Successfully maintaining a one-point lead, scored in the first half, the visiting Tsingtao Railway soccer team yesterday afternoon defeated the Waseda XI, Japanese collegiate champions, 1-0 yesterday afternoon. —Dom.

KEEN CYCLIST

Henry Keates Coming Back To Colony

Local cyclists will be interested to learn that Mr. Henry A. G. Keates, who formed the Hongkong Cycling Club in 1934, will be returning to the Colony shortly. Accompanied by Messrs. F. L. Bradley and S. H. Messer, two other keen cyclists and members of the R.A.S.C. and Belfast Clubs, Mr. Keates is already on his way out, and is due to arrive by the P. and O. liner Rawalpindi on April 21.

On his departure from the Colony in January last year, Mr. Keates held all recognised road-time trial records from five to 100 miles, established either at Shanghai or Hongkong. The Shanghai Wheelers (which he formed in 1933) elected him Vice-President in 1934 and each year since, and the Hongkong Cycling Club did likewise in 1935 and elected him President in 1936.

During his residence in Belfast since his return there, Mr. Keates did not race very seriously, but took full opportunity of recuperating after three racing seasons in the heat and humidity of China's summer months. Nevertheless in 11 events in which he participated, he secured seven premier awards, and once again beat the Irish 50-mile record, with a ride of 2 hrs. 15 mins. He was also successful in the Northern C.C. Club championship, repeating his 1932 win.

Chinese Recreation Club Meeting

Members of the Chinese Recreation Club have been advised by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. Tak-lam, that the twenty-fifth general meeting of the Club has again been fixed for Sunday, April 18, at 4 p.m. The meeting was originally called for March 28, but was not held for lack of a quorum. The delay has caused the Club some inconvenience. All members are invited to attend, for the purpose of adopting the accounts of the past year and electing officials for the coming year.

Colony Tennis

Championships

TWO DOUBLES GAMES THIS AFTERNOON

Court Needs Some Sun

It will need a continuous and warm sun to dry out the Cricket Club courts in readiness for this afternoon's tennis championship programme. Yesterday the ground was severely drenched, but there is a distinct possibility, in view of the improved conditions this morning, of today's matches being played according to arrangements.

On the stand court is a double tie between two Chinese pairs which promises to produce some lively play. Wong Shu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung meet Tsoi Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen, and although the first-named couple should win they will probably have to go all out.

Another doubles match which will be put into Court No. 9 is between Wong Fuk-nam and Luk Kwai-fun and W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung. Wong and Luk should just about get through.

The full afternoon's programme follows:
Open: Doubles—Wong Shu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung v. P. F. Tsoi and Ng Kam-chuen (Stand Court); Wong Fuk-nam and Luk Kwai-fun v. W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung.
Mixed Doubles—J. F. L. Smalley and Miss Smalley v. W. Wooding and Miss Ward.
Handicap Doubles—V. R. Gordon and T. C. Monaghan v. G. E. R. Divett and B. O'M. Deane.

SNOOKER POSTPONED

The Open Championship snooker match between J. C. Remedios and W. Stafford which was to have been played at the C.C.C. last night was postponed.

It is requested that as from April 14 all correspondence intended for the Hongkong Hockey Association be addressed to Sub-Inspector L. Tyler, Police Training School, Kowloon, who takes over the Secretaryship of the Association from Mr. F. A. Kemp, who is proceeding home on leave.

ANOTHER GREAT VICTORY

Three Points Ahead Of Arsenal

HOMESIDE SOCCER

London, Apr. 14. To-day Manchester City made themselves practically certain of the English Football League championship when they beat Sunderland on the latter's enclosure at Roker Park by three goals to one. This was Sunderland's second defeat of the week, the cup-finalists losing 6-0 to Grimsby on Monday.

Manchester City, thanks to a wonderful revival have overhauled Arsenal and Charlton in the race for league honours, and with the same number of games played are three points ahead of the Highbury team.

Only three matches are outstanding, so that three points from them will give the City the title.

Several first class matches were played in England and Scotland, Reuters cabling the following results:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division	
Preston	1 Everton 0
Sunderland	1 Manchester C. 3
Wolves	5 W. Bromwich 2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
Crystal P.	1 Millwall 0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)	
York	4 Accrington 2
Chester	2 Oldham 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First Division	
Motherwell	0 Dunfermline 0

SECOND DIVISION	
Morton	4 St. Bernard's 1

LEAGUE TABLE

The revised first division English League table now reads as follows:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Manchester C.	30	17	15	7	76	47	49
Arsenal	30	17	15	7	66	52	48
Charlton	30	11	9	10	53	46	40
Middlesbrough	30	19	8	12	71	63	40
Derby	30	19	7	13	89	85	45

LADIES' GOLF

In the L.G.U. Medal Competition held on Tuesday by the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling, Mrs. McGowan won the Silver Division on the Old Course with a card of 92-14=78. Other scores were Mrs. Garner 92-13=79; Mrs. Gilmore 92-12=80.

Mrs. Stewart, with a score of 108-34=74, was successful in the Bronze Division on the New Course. Other scores were Mrs. Young 107-31=76; Mrs. Armstrong 101-25=76.

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TREVOR WIGNAL PAYS TRIBUTE TO OXFORD'S BOAT RACE TRIUMPH

GRIT WINS THEM ONE OF THE BEST RACES SEEN FOR YEARS

London, Mar. 25. It will be many a long year before there is another Oxford and Cambridge Boat-race like the great one of yesterday. The crowd, for a weekday, was tremendous, but it was one of the highlights of the morning that even those enthusiasts who sported light blue colours were among the most hearty with their cheers when the news was flashed down the river banks that Oxford had broken the spell that first settled on them in 1924.

It is to be doubted whether there has ever been a more popular victory. One of the lesser humours was the spectacle of elderly Cambridge men, dignified and solemn before the event, delightedly shaking hands in the manner of excited schoolboys with equally elderly Oxford men, when the biggest river thrill that has been provided since the war was over. There was no disposition to speak of the Oxford crew as super-oarsmen, or even to compare them with some of the brilliant eights of the past, but there was everywhere agreement that the way they stuck to their opponents was generally supposed that when they would be left in the rear was among the finest scenes ever witnessed on the waters of old Father Thames.

THE CRUTCHES

Oxford have waited long for the triumph of yesterday. Before they went out for one of the few false starts ever known—there were plenty who declared there was no precedent for this—there was the usual talk of decadence and a loss of rowing ability, but I wonder how many have ever seen a finer lot of young fellows than those who slowly and carefully took their seats? To me the most wonderful person of the day was the cock with the crutches. His disability is such as to make one marvel that he can take any part in sport, but if I had been called on to raise a special cheer it would have been in his direction that I would have turned.

There was a good deal of comment about the necessity to each other of the boats on two or three occasions—more than once it seemed certain that the touching of oars would bring about an infringement—and in the launches that followed the crews' breaths were held in anticipation of an incident that would have ruined a splendid test of endurance and skill. For more than half the distance the two shells were practically level, but it was Oxford who were the fresher at the finish. The slowness of the time is accounted for solely by the conditions.

THE CHARM

I heard somebody say that there were more foreigners as watchers than ever before. There is no way of checking this statement, but the matter that must have struck visitors from other countries was that ninety per cent. of the gathering had no university connection with either university. That is the charm of the Boat-race; it is the most democratic event that even this country can stage.

Its magnificent sporting spirit has been too often commented on to need further reference here, but it was curious to encounter people who still asked what the participants got out of it. I think the answer is that their main reward for a spell of Spartan training that would break the hearts and the backs of most athletes is a feeling of satisfaction that rapidly evaporates. There are no glittering prizes, no swollen purses, no huge gate-receipts, and—in the main—no inquests. It is not old-school-fetish to remark that the annual meeting of the blade-operators Oxford and Cam-

BAN ON BAER FIGHT DEMANDED

U.S. CREATES A SENSATION

(By Trevor Wignall)

London Mar. 25. A FRESH boxing sensation was provided last night when it became known that the stewards of the British Boxing Board of Control, under the chairmanship of Colonel Myddleton, had met to consider a demand made by Madison-square Garden, New York, that the fight at Harringay next month between Max Baer and Tommy Farr be banned. The directors of the Garden claim that Baer is unfit to fight, and that he accepted £400 from them when he signed the contract, and that therefore he has no right to fight any one or anywhere until he has fulfilled his agreement to meet Bob Pastor.

The B.B.B.C., who are affiliated to the New York State Commission, were requested to observe the Madison-square Garden contract, and to prevent him from appearing in an English ring.

The Garden was represented by Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., a junior counsel for the Treasury and a former England Rugby player, and three solicitors.

Brig-General Critchley, Mr. Frank Gentle, Colonel Walter Wilson, and Mr. Syd Hulls appeared for Harringay Arms and the Greyhound Racing Association.

All the stewards of the B.B.B.C. who were qualified to act were in attendance, and the proceedings occupied nearly three hours.

I understand that Mr. Roberts spoke for more than thirty minutes, and that his request was that the New York agreement be respected.

Replies were made by General Critchley, who gave Baer his English contract; Mr. Gentle, and Mr. Hulls, while Mr. Ansell Hoffman, the manager of Baer, also spoke on the fighter's behalf.

At the close of the conference it was announced that the decision of the board would not be made known until to-day, and the belief expressed to me was that the stewards will vote in favour of Harringay.

I am in a position to state that if it is not an appeal will be immediately registered, and that the matter will then be taken to the High Court.

Baer expects to earn at least £30,000 while he is in this country, but if he is stopped from fighting his gains, of course, will be very considerably less.



Lieut. Davies (left) and Lieut. Wright, two of Colony's leading hockey players, during the season just ending. Davies plays for the Navy and Wright represented England at centre-half, and Wright is the Colony and English International right-inner.

Amazing Recovery By Cambridge In The Varsity Golf Match

(By Vagrant)

Prince's, Sandwich. At the end of the day's four-somes play Oxford and Cambridge were level in the annual inter-University match with two and a half points each. Cambridge led at the luncheon interval in three of the five games.

Lucas and Dixon, their leading pair, had run up against a wonderful start by Mitchell-Innes, then fallen sadly away by disconcerting and totally untypical errors. Carter and Winton had got a lead of one hole in a ding-dong fight with Scott and Ramsden. Langley and Boulton were two up on Fisher and Thorburn in a game full of good golf.

Dolley and Ellis had had the worst of matters against Grieve and Booth, whilst Goodson and Booth, finishing like tigers, had wiped out a three holes deficit in the last four holes to finish one up.

Contrary to expectations the North wind of yesterday had fallen considerably, and a day of sunshine took some of the bitterness out of it. Frost during the night had laid a thin coating of ice, but this thawed and the sun touched the blue ripples, the scene was pleasing to any who were not involved in the strife.

BAD WEATHER RULES

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Lynch May Defy Boxing Board

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agreed to allow Jack McAvoy, the middle-weight champion, to meet Eddie Phillips, the light-heavyweight champion, at Wembley next month, although they had previously ruled that McAvoy's next opponent must be Jack Hyams, the London middle-weight.

U.S.A. VISIT HITCH

He also mentioned that Lynch has postponed his contemplated visit to America until later in the year. The spirit of rebellion against the B.B.B.C. is spreading in Scotland, and Mr. Digby's present intention is to defy the board. George Cook, the Australian heavy-weight, who some weeks ago was astounded when his application for a renewal of a permit to fight was refused, yesterday appeared before the stewards of appeal of the board. He was represented by a barrister, but the proceedings were very short. After a few questions had been asked, Cook was informed that the licence he required would be issued. It was the Southern Council of the B.B.B.C. that declined to grant a permit, and the decision of the stewards of appeal not to accept this is taken as meaning that a mistake was made. Recommendations of branches, however, are turned down only on infrequent occasions.

YACHT RACING

Isobel And Gael Win Sweepstake

A sweepstake race over 8.2 miles was contested by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday. Results:

"A" Class Started 14.45	Finished	Cortd. Psn.
Carpenter	D.N.F.	7
Lobo	10.36.01	2
(Mr. S. R. Garratt)		
Isobel	10.32.28	1
(Mr. B. E. C. Dixon)		
Joss	10.40.10	5
(Col. Muirhead)		
Cicada	10.39.57	4
(Capt. Bower)		
Kiltivake	10.36.08	3
(Miss P. M. King)		
Mixed Classes Started 14.55		
Aerial	10.36.17	2
(Mr. Ross)		
Halcyon	D.N.F.	—
Widgeon	D.N.F.	—
Zephyr	D.N.F.	—
Gael	10.53.40	1
(Lt. Col. S. Smith)		
Toyette	10.53.04	3
(Mr. Allen)		
Mixed classes shortened to 7 miles.		

SCHUSCHNIGG FOR ROME

Vienna, Apr. 14. Dr. Kurt Schuschnigg, the Austrian semi-dictator, together with his Foreign Minister, will visit Italy on April 24, meeting Signor Benito Mussolini, first of the modern dictators, at Venice.—Reuter.

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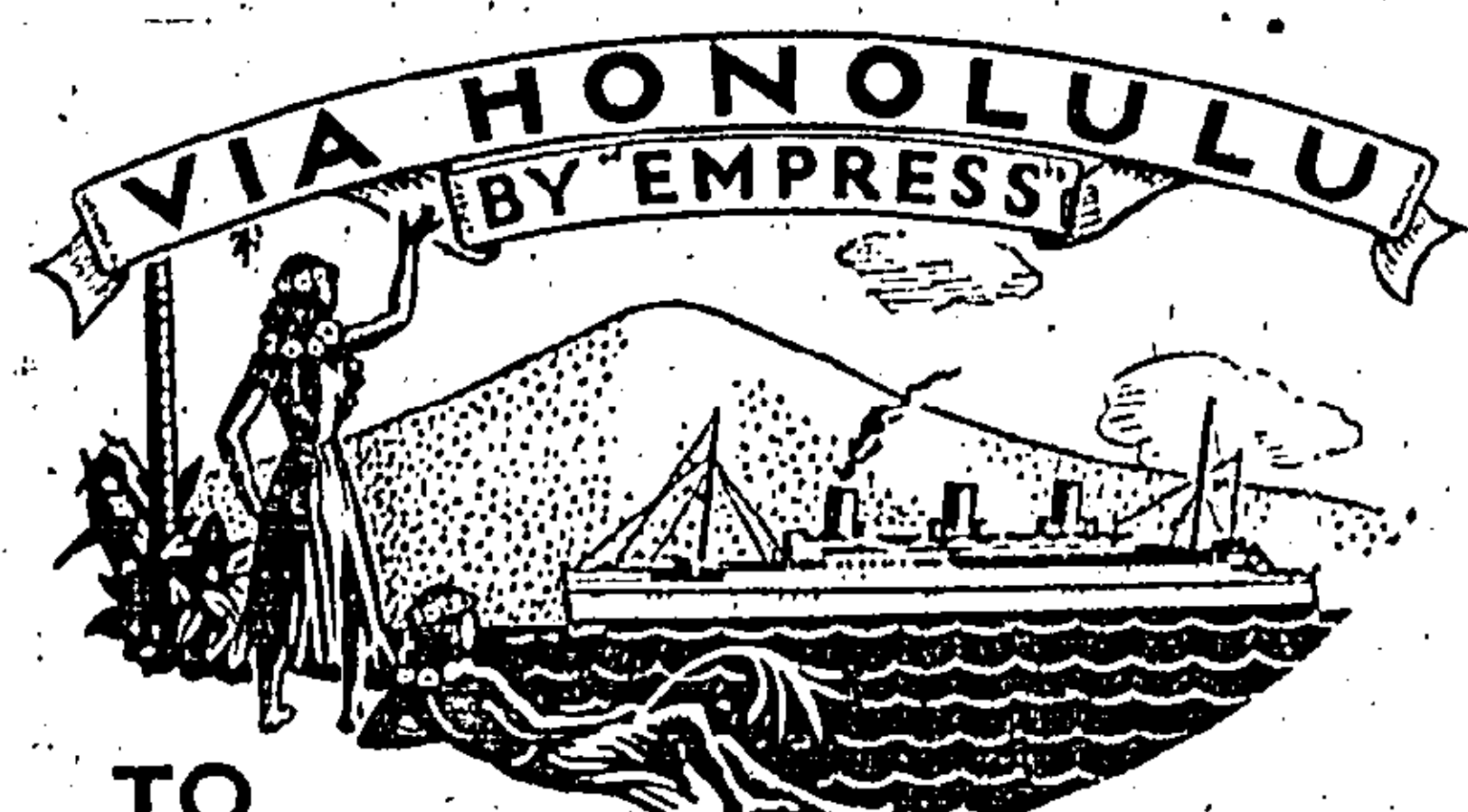
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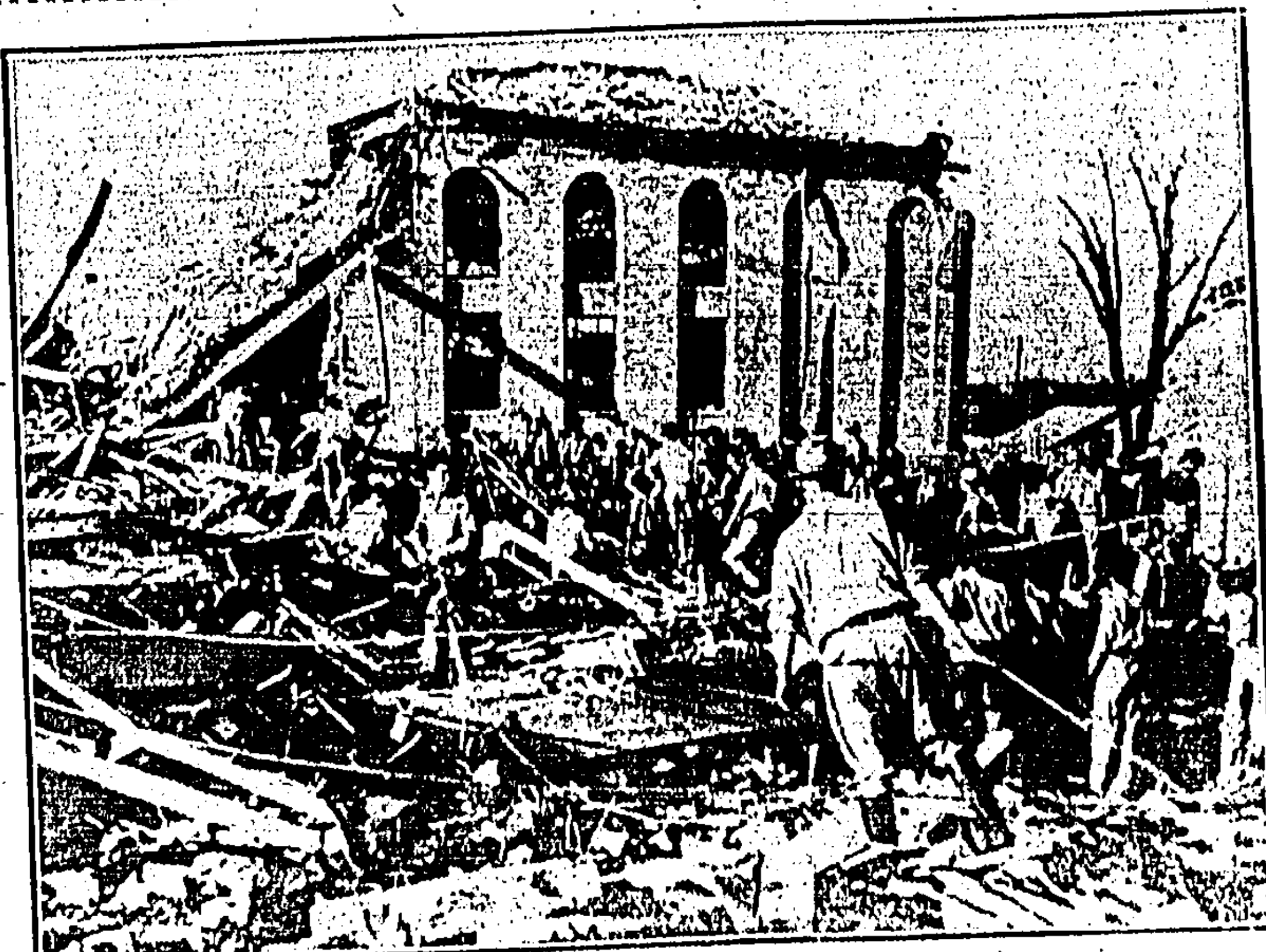
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DISASTER—Of more than 1,000 pupils enrolled in the consolidated school of New London, Texas, far less than half escaped death or injury in the terrific explosion that wrecked the building. A highway patrol officer said more than 500 bodies, 17 of whom were teachers, were taken from the ruins. Here is a scene at the worst school disaster in the nation's history, as searchers tear at wreckage to rescue injured or recover dead.



HOME MAN—Kakichi Kuwamura, a director of the Society for the Conciliation of Labour and Capital in Japan, recently appointed Home Minister. Increased industrial activity makes his position important.



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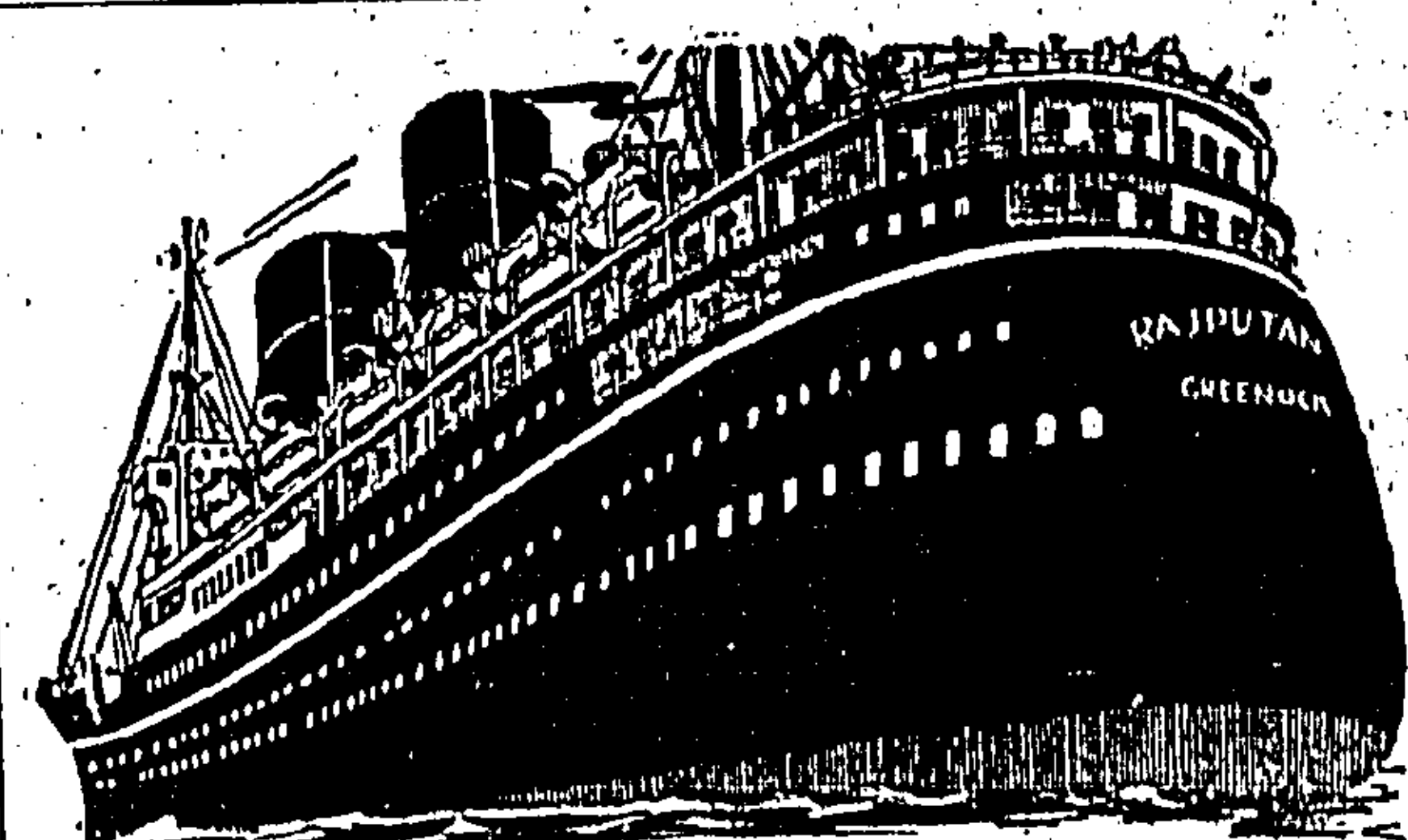
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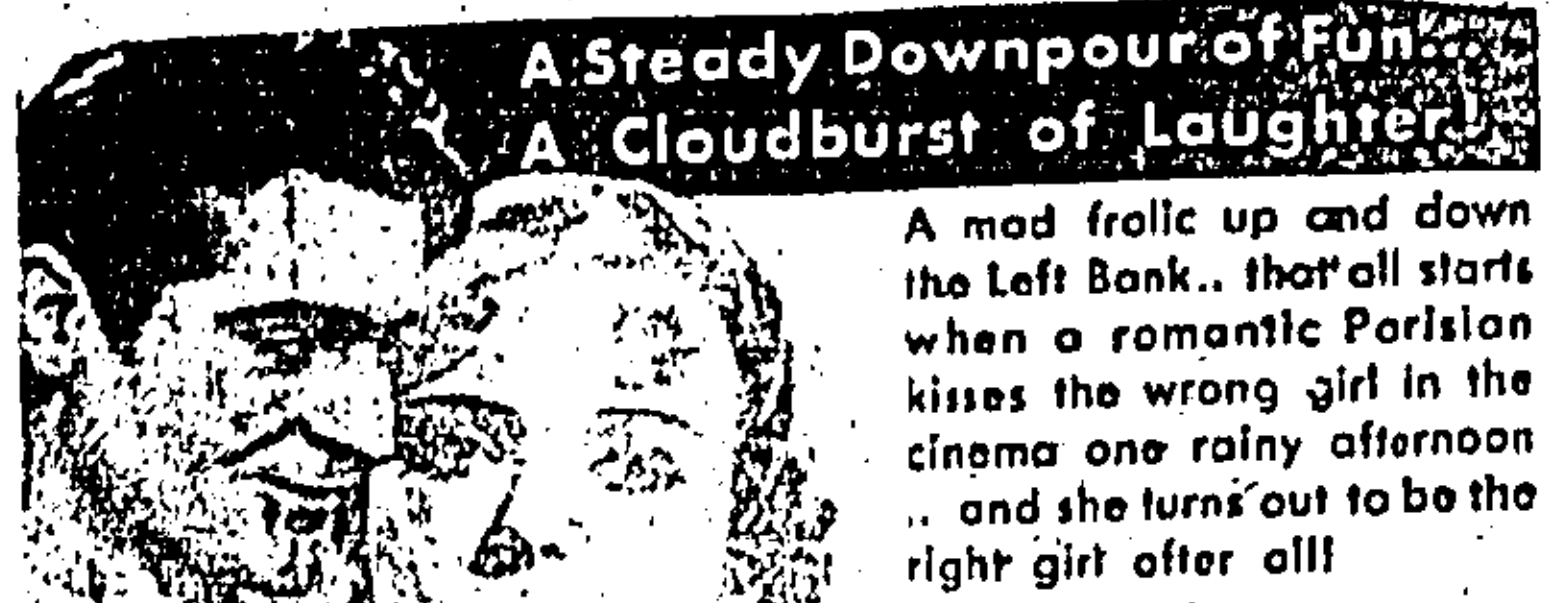
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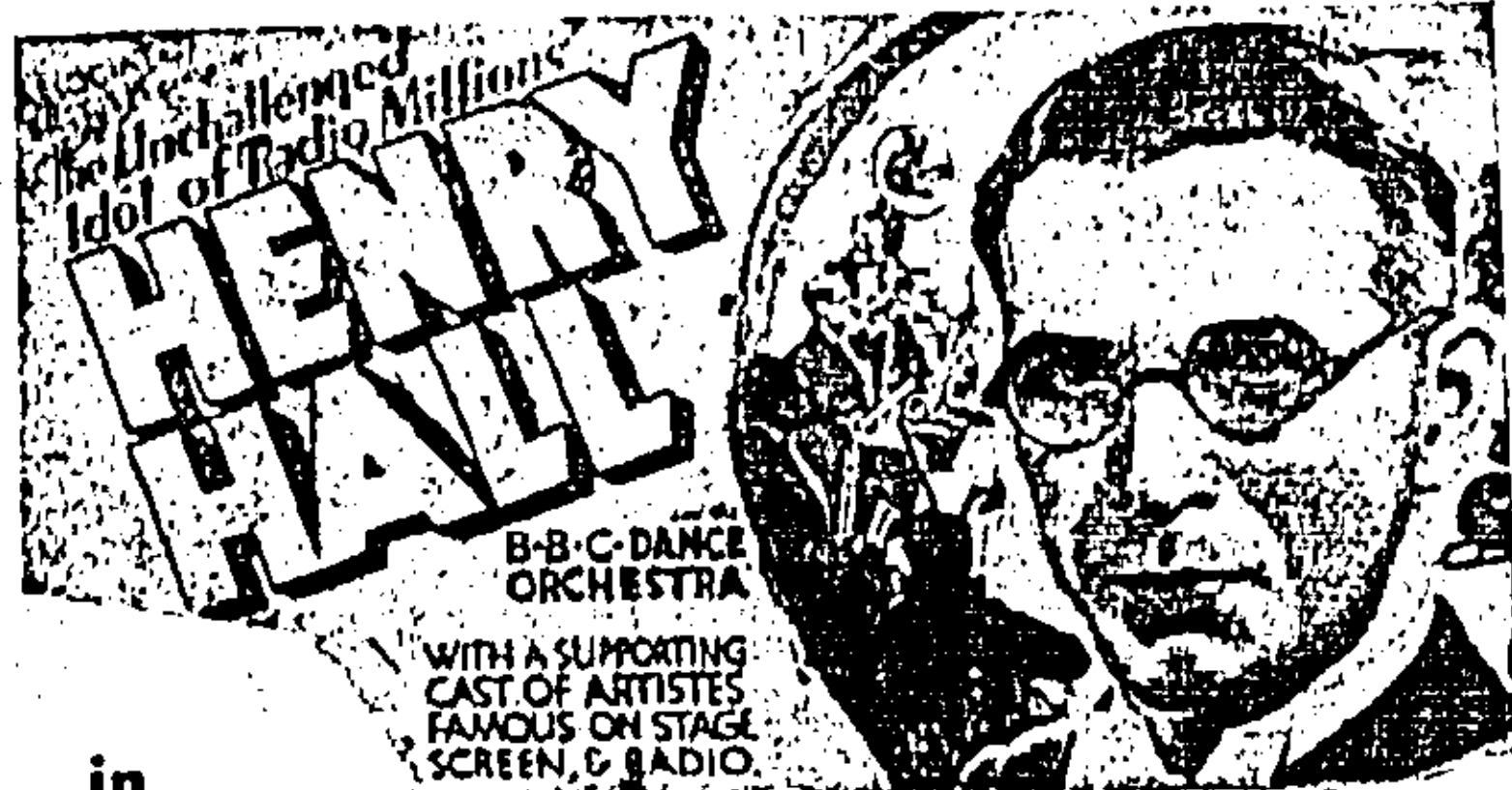
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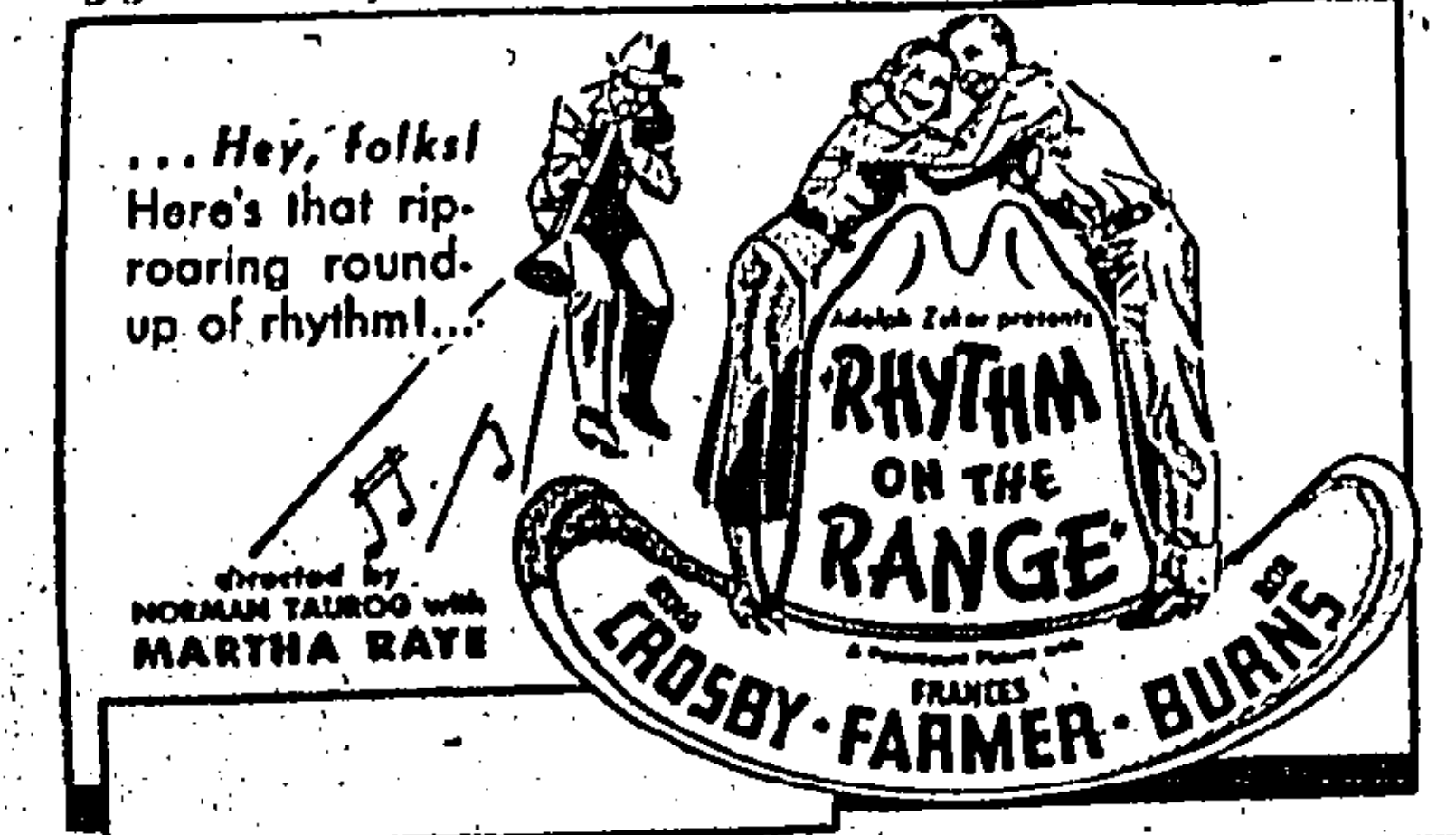
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Bad English Cost German Spy Four Years' Gaol



During his visit in Libya, Signor Mussolini was the object of great homage from the Arabs, and was presented with the sacred sword of Islam. The picture was taken as Il Duce, on horseback, received the sword from the chief of the native cavalry.

HOLLYWOOD NEARLY DROVE ME CRAZY

—HUGH WALPOLE

Mr. Hugh Walpole, who recently returned from Hollywood, vows that no offer in the world would ever tempt him to return there to work. He spent two years in Hollywood writing for American films.

"For every single day of a period of six months," he said, "I was absolutely exasperated. Though I was being paid a high salary, I had nothing whatever to do. That state of affairs is suicidal to any author or artist."

Garbo's NEXT PICTURE

"Hollywood has achieved perfection in the technique of photography and in every other department in the production of films. But it has no idea how to handle the writing side. There lies the weakness."

Mr. Walpole had been the guest of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer at a lunch given to Mr. George Cukor, the Hollywood director, who made "David Copperfield," "Romeo and Juliet," and "Camille," the new Greta Garbo picture.

"Cukor and Capra," he said, "are the two best film directors in the world," and then he offered this advice:

"If you are going to write for a film which George Cukor is going to direct, I advise you never to quail before any insult thrown at you, never to be heart-broken about what he said of your work, and to resolve never to write for films again."

Mr. Sam Eckman, who was in the chair, announced that Mr. Cukor was going to make at least one picture each year for M.G.M., and that Greta Garbo's next picture would be a romantic comedy—a type of film she has never before attempted.

Big Air Race Deadline Set For May 1

New York, April 10.

The deadline for entries in the New York to Paris airplane race being sponsored by the French Air Ministry closes at six p.m. May 1.

All entrants must pay 5,000 francs entry fee for each aircraft entered and must file his application on an official French Aero Club form.

Foreign aviators outside of France must file their papers and pay their money through their national aeronautical clubs who will send them to the French Air Ministry. In addition to his original entry fee, any contestant who fails to take off at a time specified by race officials must pay an additional 2,000 francs or forfeit his entry fee.—United Press.

UNAWARE A YEAR AFTER ARREST

Dr. Hermann Gortz, German spy, has served twelve months of his four-year Old Bailey sentence without yet discovering how he was caught.

It was not the Secret Service's work, as reported at the time, that led to his arrest, but his own bad English.

Mrs. Johnson, owner of the Broadstairs bungalow he rented with the girl Marianne Eng, has revealed for the first time how a telegram from Gortz accidentally put the police on his track.

"COMBINATION"

She said: "Gortz sent me the wire from Dover the day he and the girl suddenly left the bungalow. It read:—

"Two days for Germany. Back Saturday. Take care of my combination and photo."

"I thought by 'combination' that he meant his powerful motor-cycle. When he did not arrive by the date his lease ended I went into the bungalow and searched the garden and outhouse for it."

"It was not there. I thought it might have been stolen, so I rang up the police."

"They looked for a clue among papers he had left on a table with his typewriter. Details and drawings of airports were among them."

"Then we discovered a pair of soiled white dungarees. And suddenly we realised that these were what he called his 'combination'."

In one of the pockets was a tiny but elaborate camera. Its film was developed. It contained pictures, about the size of a postage stamp, of airports and airplanes in flight.

"When Gortz arrived at Harwich three weeks late for his appointment with me he was arrested."

Severe Quakes Forecast For America

BETWEEN 1939—1946

New York, April 10.

America will experience several severe earthquakes between 1939 and 1946, Jacob J. Creskoff, consulting engineer of Philadelphia, told the thirty-third annual convention of the American Concrete Institute.

His statement is not a prediction but only a probability deduced from statistical analysis of destructive earthquake occurrence in the United States during the last three centuries," he explained.

"Destructive earthquakes are more frequent in some years than in others. They occur in more or less irregular cycles of activity. It appears that a phase of the United States seismic cycle is now being approached."

NO LONGER DORMANT

Most people believe, he said, that destructive earthquakes occur in particular regions of the country. An analysis of the earthquake history of the United States, however, revealed that a number of shocks occurred in regions where great earthquakes would not be expected, and that sections long dormant had suddenly become active.

"All in all the data are of such nature that it would be rash to predict immunity from earthquake damage for any region," he said.

Mr. Creskoff said that a correctly designed foundation was "a vital factor" in the ability of a structure to survive a major earthquake undamaged. He added that a building of square or rectangular plan was usually damaged less than those built in the shape of an E, H, L, or U. Also, simplicity was to be desired if it was attained without ignoring fundamental principles.—United Press.

HER DIARIES TO BE BURIED WITH HER

"I wish that every book in my box covered with green baize, in a pocket at time of death, or about my bedroom, shall be carefully wrapped in lead foil and buried in my coffin."

This is a clause in the will of Miss Mary Laura Kyle, of Robin Hood Lane, East Horsley, Surrey.



A 200 foot statue of St. Francis d'Assisi in stainless steel will be erected atop twin peaks in San Francisco. The picture shows the sculptor, Beniamino Bufano, working on a sketch of the head of the statue.

SERUM FOR PNEUMONIA MAY END SCOURGE

Chicago, Apr. 10.

Ultimate control of pneumonia, listed as the fifth greatest cause of death by the U. S. Bureau of Census, the American Medical Association Journal declares.

Dr. Russell I. Cecil, New York, announced that on the basis of 160 cases of type one pneumonia—the commonest kind—in which serum was administered during the first 24 hours "the death rate is cut to approximately one sixth the standard death rate for untreated type one pneumonia."

"When one considers that serum is now available for approximately 65 per cent of all pneumococcal pneumonias, one cannot fail to be impressed with the gap that exists between what could be done and what is being done for pneumonia patients," Dr. Cecil wrote.

Dr. Cecil has devoted five years to the study of pneumonia, of which there are 20 different types. Serums have been perfected for several of the commoner varieties.

ALL TYPES

While his conclusions were derived from studies only of type one pneumonia, Dr. Cecil said, evidence is rapidly accumulating that they apply to several other types as well.

Early administration of the serum produces a crisis before the patient's recuperative powers have been reduced by the disease.

"Certainly the crisis that accompanies abortive pneumonia, Dr. Cecil wrote, often on the second or third day, is just as dramatic as the natural crisis which occurs on the seventh or eighth day in those who receive no serum."

LIMITS INFECTION

"All physicians can recall acutely ill pneumonia patients, when the morning after receiving serum, insisted on telephoning their offices or reading the morning newspaper."

Early administration of the serum, Dr. Cecil wrote, usually limits the infection to one lobe.

"If serum is given early, the area of infection in the involved lobe is sharply demarcated," he said, "and rapidly fades out. When serum is started later it often happens that though an immediate crisis is induced the area in the involved lobe increases somewhat in size and may involve the entire lobe."

Practical absence of complications was observed in 37 cases selected from Dr. Cecil's own practice, among the 160 treated. In 78.4 per cent of the cases which received serum only one lobe was infected.

The opportunity to give serum to patients with type one pneumonia, Dr. Cecil said, does not often present itself during the first 24 hours of the disease. With the increased use of rapid typing methods, however, there is no reason why more pneumonia patients should not receive early therapy, he said.

"It is true," the doctor stated, "that type three presents certain difficulties, but figures already at hand show other types amenable to serum therapy. No doubt in time investigators will be able to demonstrate for other types what can now be proved for type one, namely that early and adequate use of anti-pneumococcus serum reduced pneumonia to a comparatively mild infection."—United Press.

A DROP TOO MUCH

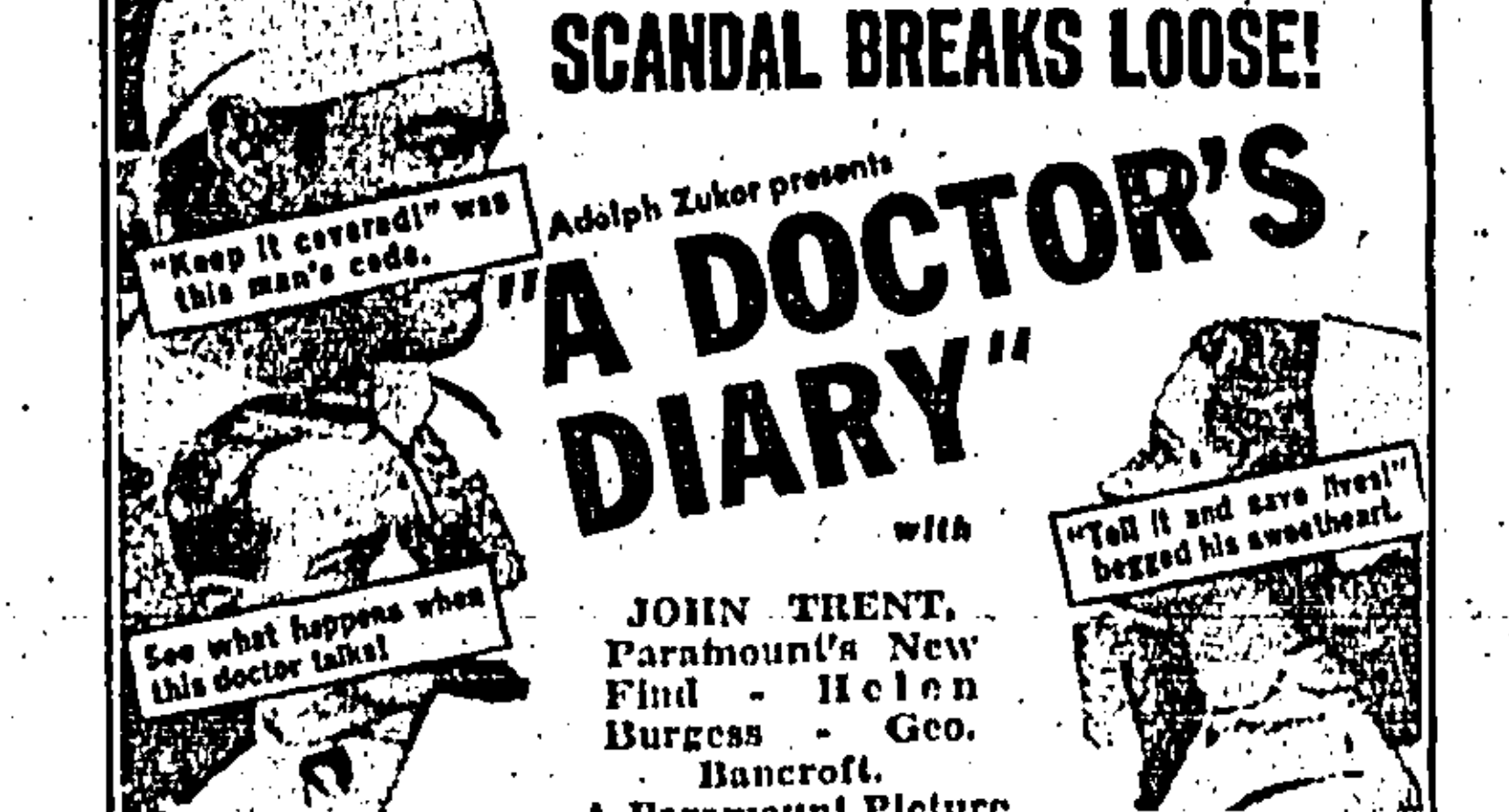
Denver, Apr. 10.

Dr. Harry Sickafosse, police surgeon, asked Arnold Fehr, 45, who had been arrested on suspicion of being intoxicated to "take a deep breath." Fehr drew himself to his full height and inhaled with gusto. He dropped over dead.

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KING AND QUEEN

WILL VISIT SCOTLAND AFTER CORONATION

Scotland after the Coronation were announced.

The King and Queen will arrive in Edinburgh on July 5 and will receive the keys of the city. Then they will drive to Holyrood Palace.

During the first four days in Scotland their Majesties will give two dinner parties, two courts and one garden party on July 7.

On July 8 the King will hold a levee and review the youth organisation at Murrayfield. On July 9 their Majesties will visit Dumbarton and Glasgow. They will leave Scotland on July 12.—Reuter's Bulletin.

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Labour Charges Britain Aiding Spanish Rebels

SIR JOHN SIMON JEERED ON STATING POLICY

Uproar in House as Vote Of Censure Moved

London, Apr. 14.

Censuring the British Government for its allegedly spineless submission to the blockade of Bilbao, and accusing it of actually helping the blockade and the rebel cause, Major Clement R. Attlee, Labour Opposition leader, commenced a heated debate in the House of Commons to-day. "Apparently," he said, "anyone need only tell the Government they intend to sow a few mines at a port and the British fleet will then come and blockade the port for them."

"General Francisco Franco hopes to starve women and children and the British Government is going to help them," Major Attlee cried. "The action creates the widespread conviction that the Government must be backing Franco. The Government has no right to push this humiliating procedure upon British sailors."

The House greeted this attack with cheers.

The diplomatic galleries were crowded for the debate in the House of Commons to-day. The Opposition, including those of Russia and Spain.

Sir John Simon, First Lord of the Admiralty, repudied the assault. The British Government's action with respect to the Bilbao blockade was based on its "policy of no interference, direct or indirect, in affairs in Spain. This is the declared purpose of the Government and of France," Sir John declared.

The Government within the last few hours has communicated with General Franco intimating that we refuse to recognise the rebels' belligerent rights or to tolerate interference with British shipping, he asserted. "We added that any advice we have given British shipping does not affect the ultimate responsibility for any damage even to a vessel which has disregarded our advice."

The Opposition constantly interrupted Sir John, one of the members singing, "We've Got a Navy."—United Press.

Angry Interruptions

London, Apr. 14.

Sir John Simon's reply in the House of Commons to Labour's vote of censure concerning the British policy of non-interference in the Bilbao blockade, was broken by angry interruptions, and a crowded house listened to day's proceedings.

Major C. R. Attlee, Labour leader, moved the vote of censure deploring the failure of the Government to give protection to British merchant shipping.

Major Attlee claimed the Government's action in warning shipping that it should not enter Bilbao was acquiescence in a grave breach of international law.

The Labour leader exhibited a cable from the President of the Basque republic stating that neither the Basques nor General Franco's forces had laid any mines in the approaches of Bilbao during the past fortnight. There had been 55 inward and outward sailings from the port without molestation. The batteries at Bilbao kept the rebel fleet 15 miles from shore, it stated.

Avoiding Complications

Replying to the Opposition on behalf of the Government, Sir John Simon declared it was the Government's policy to avoid all complications which might prejudice good international relations, and to strictly refrain from all interference in the internal affairs of Spain.

As Sir John proceeded to explain the Government's attitude, he was almost continuously interrupted by derisive Labourite comments and ironical cheers.

Sir John declared that H.M.S. Blanche reported on April 6 that there was a close blockade of Bilbao and serious incidents were likely to arise if merchant ships attempted to enter the port.

A fresh uproar was caused by Sir John's comment that a British contribution would be eagerly made.

(Continued on Page 5.)

DEFENDS BRITISH POLICIES

Eden Recalls Earlier Spanish Blockade

No Protest Against Leftist Action

London, Apr. 14.

Concluding the debate in the House of Commons on the Labour censure of British policy with respect to the Spanish war, Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, recalled that British had not protested when the Spanish Government last August declared a blockade of the insurgent ports in Morocco. There was no more reason for the Government to do so in the case of the blockade of Bilbao, he argued.

He emphasised that belligerent rights could not be granted to one side. Had Britain followed precedent and granted belligerent rights to both sides would have been entitled to hold up British ships attempting to break the blockade, even on the high seas.

Replying to an earlier question by Sir Archibald Sinclair, Liberal leader, as to whether a ship disregarding the Government's warning to keep clear of Bilbao would be protected if attacked before she reached the three-mile limit, Mr. Eden said the answer was definitely in the affirmative. But the Government was bound to warn ships of the dangers of the Bilbao coast, in view of which the Government could not guarantee the safety of ships in territorial waters of Bilbao.

DAILY BOMBINGS

Mr. Eden quoted a telegram from the British Consul at Bilbao, saying there had been daily bombing and much destruction in the past fortnight.

He also had a telegram from the Ship-owners' Parliamentary Committee saying members were satisfied the Government was doing its utmost to protect the industry.

Mr. Eden said if it became necessary for the protection of British shipping to carry out mine-sweeping outside Spanish waters, the Government would certainly consider it. But it was most regrettable that the Government could not guarantee the safety of ships in territorial waters of Bilbao.

Dealing with the plan of Mr. Winston Churchill for arbitration, the Foreign Secretary said it ever Britain could make a contribution to bring the conflict to an end that contribution would be eagerly made.

—Reuter.

STUDENTS ARMED, OFF TO WAR



Spanish youths from the schools of Barcelona have quit their books to take up arms in the Loyalist cause. Here, much better clothed and equipped than most Loyalist soldiers, they start the trek that may end in death while townsfolk cheer them onward. "There is much fighting to be done," said Loyalist leader General Jose Mija, welcoming these recruits.

Demanding Extraterritoriality Abolition

Strong Movement in Shanghai Spreads

Shanghai, Apr. 13.

The movement for the abolition of extraterritoriality is being whipped up assiduously in Shanghai.

Following the presentation of petitions to the Chinese Government by 175 Chinese civic bodies, it is proposed to form a general committee of prominent men in order to maintain the agitation.

Several leaders of the movement favour unilateral denunciation of extraterritoriality by China if the negotiations with the foreign powers enjoying this freedom fail.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Defends Democracy

Surest Guarantee Of International Peace

Informal Address Before Diplomats

Washington, Apr. 14.

President F. D. Roosevelt pledged the good faith of the United States with respect to her foreign policies in an unusual speech to-night.

The President remained standing after broadcasting an address delivered before the Board of Governors of the Pan-American Union, made sure the microphones were deadened and then launched into an informal and off-record supper, as to whether a ship disregarding the Government's warning to keep clear of Bilbao would be protected if attacked before she reached the three-mile limit, Mr. Eden said the answer was definitely in the affirmative. But the Government was bound to warn ships of the dangers of the Bilbao coast, in view of which the Government could not guarantee the safety of ships in territorial waters of Bilbao.

It is learned he outlined his promises made at his inauguration, and asserted his accomplishments were evidence of his good faith. He emphasised that where others made promises, the United States kept hers.

The President recalled that soon after his inauguration he summoned the diplomats to Washington and promised the United States would not intervene in Cuban affairs. He had kept his word.

The 21 diplomats in the small room where the President were his sole audience. The President's remarks are regarded as much more significant than if they had been prepared.

In his speech, broadcasted, he said: "Democracy cannot thrive in an atmosphere of international insecurity. Such insecurity breeds militarism; militarism, denial of freedom of speech, peaceful assembly and religion.

"Such insecurity challenges the ideals of democracy, based on the free choice of Government by the people themselves.

"It is a logical development that we, in the Americas, believe the continued maintenance and improvement of democracy constitute the most important guarantee of international peace," he declared.—United Press.

SHAREHOLDERS WANT VOICE IN HOTELS' AFFAIRS

Urge Consultation Before Peak Hotel is Built

MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN HONGKONG BUSINESS

A suggestion was made at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., this morning, that, in the event of the Company considering the building of a new hotel on The Peak, shareholders should be consulted.

Replying to the suggestion, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, who presided, stated that the Directors had power under the Articles of Association to deal with such matters, and if the suggestion was that the Board should give up such powers, the Directors could not agree. He added, however, that the matter of replacing the Peak Hotel was still under consideration.

The Chairman reported a marked improvement in the business of its hotels in Hongkong, stating that "no accommodation vacant" returns were being received from the managements with gratifying frequency.

Addressing the shareholders, Mr. Kadoorie said:—My task in submitting for your consideration the accounts for the financial year 1936 is, I feel, undertaken in happier circumstances than those which existed for my colleagues who presided at annual general meetings of the Company held during the past few years, inasmuch as the results shown by such accounts appear to denote that the persistent decline in revenue, compelled by the adverse trading conditions then encountered to be successively reported, has at last been checked.

During the period under survey, your Hongkong establishments (with the exception of the Peak Hotel) have enjoyed patronage in all departments of a substantially increased volume over that experienced during the previous year. Acceleration of the revenue derived from the restaurant and cafe business conducted at the Hongkong Hotel, Transient patronage, also improved considerably—even during the summer months—and thereby the ratio of occupancy applying to our hotels in the Colony attained consistently a higher figure than that shown for some years—"no accommodation vacant" returns having been received from resident managements with gratifying frequency.

PEAK HOTEL

Towards the middle of the year your Board decided that the Peak

REBEL ALLIES BID FOR POWER IN SPAIN WAR

Franco Fears Ruthless Campaign Would Ensnare

Hendaye, Apr. 14.

Differences of opinion between General Francisco Franco and the Italo-German general staff in Spain are described in reports of well-informed observers from Salamanca, who state that General Franco, the Insurgents' commander-in-chief, has been fighting against the suggestion from Rome and Berlin that he delegate the military side of the war to another leader than himself, and concentrate on governmental affairs.

For months, it is stated, the Germans and Italians at Salamanca have been striving for control of military operations, and the Germans especially are convinced that General Franco is incapable of winning the war while retaining the supreme command.

Fires And Gales Take Heavy Toll

Enormous Losses in Japanese Cities

Forest Fire Rages Over Wide Area

Tokyo, Apr. 14.

Storm, flood and fire have caused enormous losses to Japanese citizens during the past few hours, and a severe toll of lives.

Floods, whipped up by a gale, destroyed 200 houses at Shingishu, Korea.

An explosion, following a fire, killed 20 at Nagano, near Shizuoka.

Forest fires have stretched out greedy fingers and seized upon the scattered mountain homes between Kobe and Shimonoseki. The flames have reached the outskirts of Hagl and Yamada, in the north of Yamaguchi Prefecture, and have penetrated as far as Hyogo, near Kobe.

Matsue, with its population of 52,000, fire has rendered 1,500 homeless, but has been controlled. More than 400 houses were destroyed, but there were no fatalities, apparently.

At Keshu, Korea, a storm has destroyed 62 houses, 22 fishing vessels. Ten fishing boats were blown out to sea, and their fate is not known.—United Press.

REFUGEES TELL OF MASSACRE

Flee To Escape Death At Italians' Hands

Berbera, Apr. 14.

Abyssinian refugees who have crossed the frontier into British Somaliland tell graphic stories of the sufferings of the natives.

Some of these refugees have walked eight hundred miles to escape massacre by the Italians.

Hundreds have died on the way to the frontier, whilst thousands are homeless in Galla, where their property has been confiscated. The food shortage there is acute.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

STRIKERS EVICTED

Detroit, Apr. 14.

Armed with tear gas bombs, 300 police and 54 deputies evicted approximately 150 sit-down strikers in the Yale-Towne Lock Company plant, which has been occupied and idle for six weeks.—United Press.

CHURCHILL REMEDY FOR CIVIL WAR

Great Powers Should Offer Assistance

Factions Need Time to Cool Down

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Apr. 14.

A feature of the debate on the Labour vote of censure in the House of Commons to-day was a speech by Mr. Winston Churchill, who, after supporting the Government, suggested that if Britain put the question to Moscow, the latter would say that all it wanted now was that the Government of Spain should not be Nazi or Fascist.

Hitler might then agree not to insist on a Nazi regime, and Mussolini might be content with a Spanish Government based on one side or the other, said Mr. Churchill. France and Britain might then ask for a purely Spanish solution.

The Five Great Powers, said Mr. Churchill, might propose to the Spanish people a settlement on the following lines: That there should be a period of six years, in three stages—firstly, a period of peace, in order to give time for cooling down; secondly, a period of compromise, with a hybrid Government; and, thirdly, a revival of parliamentary institutions.

If both sides refused the proposals, the war would continue, but if one accepted and the other refused, then the Powers should support the accepting side.—Reuter Special.

Textile Talk Now Centred On Extraterritoriality

Washington, Apr. 14.

The absence of all Government control, either foreign or Chinese, over factories located in foreign concessions in China, was the feature of discussion when the drafting committee started on its final report at the World Textile Conference here to-day.

Authoritative quarters predicted the report would mention the desirability of a solution of China's extraterritoriality problem.

Four-in-One Pattern for The DAUGHTER of the HOUSE



NINE o'clock and she's ready in her play-suit for a day in the garden.



THE one o'clock gong—so on with her little pleated skirt for a tidy appearance at lunch.



Play-Suit and Over-Skirt—Party Frock and Swagger Coat for the Five-to-Twelve-year-old

THE modern daughter is almost as determined as her mother these days that her frocks shall be gay and trim and thoroughly up-to-date. And now that the shops are showing such a fascinating variety of materials—and all at next-to-nothing cost—mothers are only too ready to fall in with youthful demands for new summer clothes.

The series illustrated on this page supplies an outfit of which the most discriminating young woman would be proud.

A Play-Suit comes first, comprising an all-in-one outfit of shorts and skirt, with an easy-to-fasten front opening and two engagingly boyish patch pockets. What more easy than to step straight into this on a sunny holiday morning, and to play in it happily throughout the day, until the gong goes and it's time to slip on a

Pleated Over-Skirt which turns play-suit into pretty summer frock. It is buttoned to match the suit from waist to hem, and would look equally smart in gingham, cotton, pique, or seersucker.

The Party Frock

next in the outfit is enchantingly frilly and feminine, but is at the same time simple to make, and, more important still, easy to wash. A few rows of gauging give fullness to the skirt and the same trimming appears at the shoulder line. Rayon, voile, organdie, or crepe de Chine could be used for this.

A Lightweight Swagger Coat

completes the outfit—and what could be more suited to youthful taste and requirements? It has a slightly dashing air that's guaranteed to go

SIX o'clock—home-ward bound in her light tweed swagger coat.

straight to the heart of the youngest daughter of the house, and—an even greater consideration from the grown-up point of view—will stand any amount of hard wear. Make it in lightweight wool, flannel, or fine tweed.



Tone Up The HAIR

By FRANCES DAY

AFTER the winter months, when we wear felt or velvet hats, and there is so little sunshine, the hair is usually in need of a thorough toning-up.

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Part the hair and give the scalp a good 10 minutes brushing, loosening and removing all stray hairs. Then, with the finger-tips, move the scalp to and fro. This stimulates the blood circulation, providing nourishment for the hair follicles.

PAY particular attention to the back of the head at the base of the skull—this is the nerve-centre and extremely important.



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THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY THERAPION No. 1 THERAPION No. 2 THERAPION No. 3

FOUR o'clock—and she's all dressed up in her voile or organdie party dress—right.

Transparent Woman

SPRINGTIME demands something more than a suit, a hat or a "facial." Stores throughout the country are now showing "figure foundations" for individual measurement, and every type of figure.

In London a Canadian house is showing the "transparent woman," a figure constructed specially for the purpose of explaining which and where muscles need support.

By means of clever lighting, you are able to see the position of various organs, and discover to some extent, where your own are falling you.

FOUNDATION

It is not suggested that every woman needs special support, but there are many of you who are easily fatigued, depressed, suffering from nervous strain which could be relieved by corrective corsetry.

Another showing is the "foundation" to match up to your clothes—the type of "foundation" which suits an evening gown without betraying its seams another type for sports, shaped like a "pantle," and the more sturdy garments which give a slimming line to the hips without pushing the flesh down on to the thighs.

With this display there will be a parade of early evening wear, of particular interest this season be-

cause of the gay printed linens and cottons, uncrushable and "shrink-resisting."

IN this connection, note camelhair with wool.

A travel coat for the cruise need not be full-length, fitting double-breasted or "swagger."

Camelhair has become so popular that short "box" jackets, three-quarter length capes with sleeved waist-coats, and finger-length swaggers have now made their appearance.

THE new "English complexion" is being re-

vealed in America by three lovely English girls who are travelling through the States to show American women the charm of fair skin.

The make-up is designed to tone with lavender blue, grey, beige, and is composed of

Naturelle foundation lotion, Coquette rouge and lipstick (which emphasise the fairness of the skin), Lysette face powder over mal-

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Good Cooking

By Ambrose Heath

SALT COD

READERS who are strict observers of Lent, and others as well, may like to have a few recipes for serving salt cod.

Fish Cakes

After having soaked the cod, cut it up (before cooking it) into smallish pieces. Peel and cut up some potatoes into small pieces, too, and have ready a large breakfast-cupful of the fish and twice as much potato. Boil these together in water until the potatoes are nearly soft, then drain and put back into the rinsed pan to dry. Mash up thoroughly, add half a tablespoonful of butter, a good seasoning of pepper and a beaten egg. Beat well together for a couple of minutes, and then drop in spoonfuls in deep fat.

With Eggs

SIMPLE, but really very good indeed. This time or so of vinegar, and serve sprinkled with chopped parsley.

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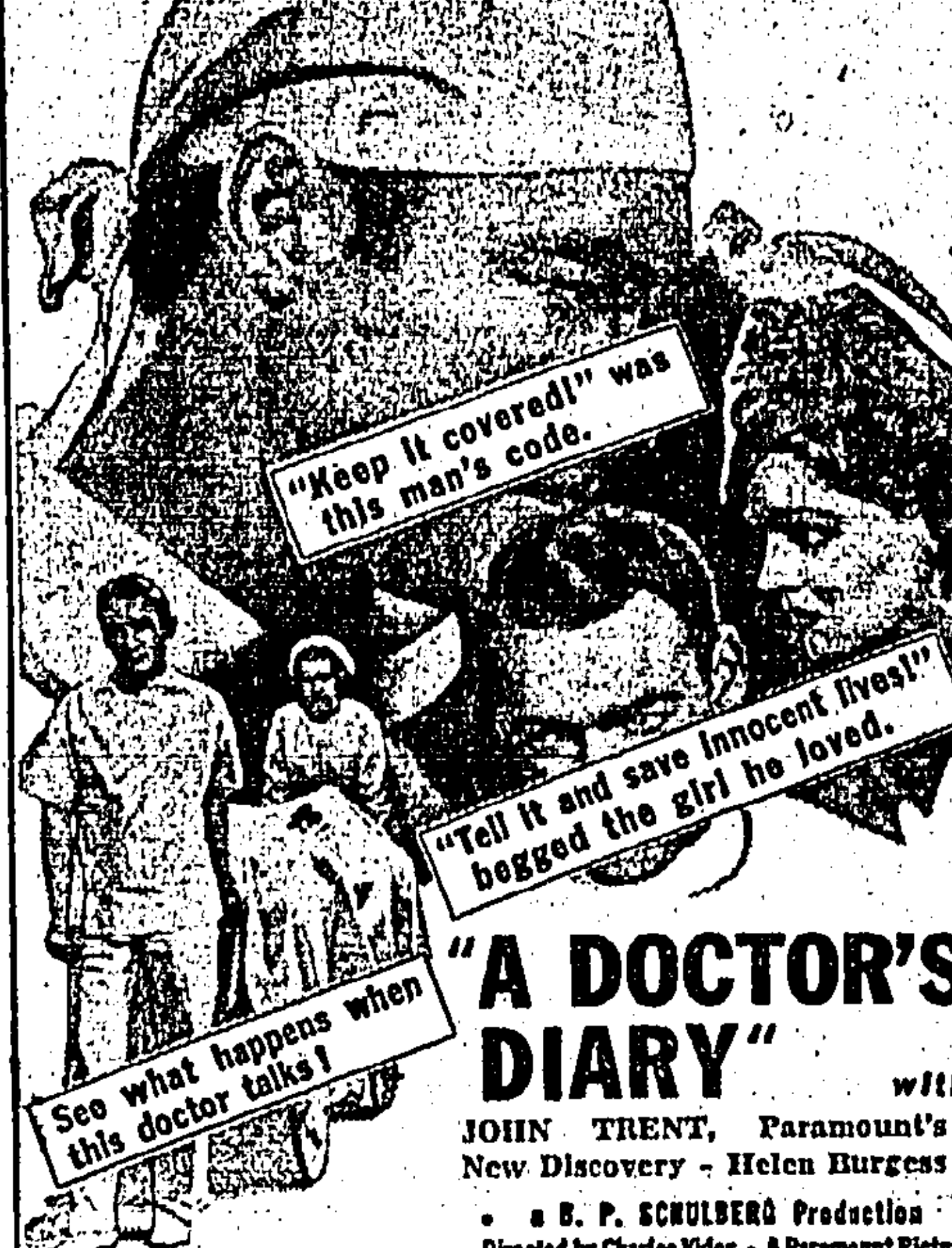
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THE DUKE OF WINDSOR HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY SPANNING THE PERIOD FROM ABOUT 1900 TO 1930, AND ENDING WITH THE RECOVERY OF HIS FATHER FROM HIS GRAVE ILLNESS.

He has sent for his personal papers and photographs taken on many tours.

What he contemplates writing, it is understood, is a book of memoirs which shall be non-political and non-controversial.

Publication in two volumes has been suggested. The first would deal with the Duke's life as child, naval cadet, and Guards officer in the war.

VISITS TO THE DOMINIONS
The second volume would cover his imperial tours and his private visits to Canada, Africa and elsewhere.

Such a book would, of course, include intimate pen pictures of Queen Victoria, King Edward VII., King George V., and Queen Alexandra, and many stories of celebrities.

The King's permission for the autobiography would first have to be obtained. It is thought there would be no likelihood of its being withheld since nothing controversial would be involved.

Publication plans have already been fully discussed and settled, but they are, of course, dependent on the Duke's final decision to write the book.

6-Seater 'Plane For Duke Of Windsor

Wing Commander Edward "Mouse" Fielden, now Equerry to the King, and just back from Vienna with G-ADDD, famous red and blue Rapide plane belonging to the Duke of Windsor, will shortly fly a new machine out to Australia.

The Duke is taking over a new 200 m.p.h. Envoy plane, now being assembled and tested at Portsmouth airport. It is a twin-engine monoplane, seating five or six passengers, and cruising at about 160-170 m.p.h.

DISGUISED GIRL 'SPY' BETRAYED BY STRIDE

Moscow, Apr. 1.

A GIRL disguised as an old peasant woman was arrested on the western frontier yesterday as she was boarding a train for Moscow.

Her youthful stride betrayed her to the railway police guard.

She is being held as a spy.

For three days she is alleged to have eluded border guards in the swamps and forests.

At nights she is said to have tied herself to trees and slept in an upright position so that she would not be noticed.—Exchange.

Woman Who Became A "Babbling" Infant

Richmond, Va., Apr. 1.

The weird story of a middle-aged woman whose mental growth was arrested by the shock of her husband's death and who reverted to adolescence, childhood, "babbling infancy," and finally died, was revealed here by a Richmond psychiatrist.

In an article in the *Virginia Medical Monthly*, Dr. Beverly R. Tucker told of the bizarre case of "second childhood" in which growing children watched their mother slide backwards in life, running the inverse gamut of 60 years of life in four years.

Dr. Tucker said the woman entered his sanitarium in 1931 when she was 61 and her children were in their early twenties.

He described her as a strange, "childish" figure, hunched unnaturally in bed from shortening of cords in her legs which gave to her limbs the bowed effect of a baby's.

He said first signs of the regression, which he ascribed as due entirely to psychological causes, occurred when her husband died and the woman, daughter of a prominent southern family, was "suddenly overwhelmed with responsibility."

She began to feel that she should be younger in order to understand her children and be more companionable with them," Dr. Tucker said.

"So when the usual period of mourning was over she dressed and decorated herself as a younger woman."

"She sought companionship of younger married couples and attempted to take up their activities."

This attempt to revert to her children's way of living apparently was unsuccessful, he said, and the mother "then started going out with them, adopted their friends and dressed like her daughter."

However, the children, he said, grew older as the mother grew "younger" and she found she could not grow older with them.

"It was not long before she gave the children considerable anxiety," the physician said.

"They had to direct her goings and comings and try to persuade her to converse less flipperly. The mother continued to get younger at the rate of a year every few months."

When she entered the sanitarium she was "a nice little girl in short dresses," he said.

"She read simple things, but rather badly; she craved attention; she talked childishly and pleasantly; she would play with objects as if they were toys."—United Press.

GOLDEN CANOPY MADE FOR KING

London, Apr. 1.

The golden canopy that will be held over the King and Queen during the anointing ceremony at the Coronation in May is being made at the Royal School of Needlework by 85 of the finest needlewomen in Great Britain.

The fine embroidery on the Queen's dress and train probably will also be executed at the school, and the King's robe, which was made there in 1902 for King Edward VII, will be remodelled and renovated.

The King's robe is of cloth, embroidered all over with colored and gold threads, red Tudor roses, green shamrocks, purple thistles and silver eagles.

Made of cloth of gold, the canopy will be lined with white satin, appliqued with 16 raised silver eagles and finished with silver tassels. Miss F. Girdlestone, who helped to make the canopy used at King Edward VII's coronation, is in charge of the work.

At the Queen's request the school has submitted designs for the embroidery of her Coronation dress, which will be of white satin, and designs for a purple velvet. The designs to be worked in gold, silver, and diamonds, include the rose, shamrock, thistle, daffodil and emblems of all the Dominions and Colonies.—United Press.



ANCIENT CEREMONY — Queen Mary of Great Britain, in an ancient ceremony in London, presents looks to an officer of the Welsh Guards on St. David's day. The Jack, cousin of the queen, is the national emblem of the Welsh, who wear its leaves in their hats on the festival day of their patron saint. Above, an aide hands the packages to the Queen.

200 WARSHIPS, 400 AIRPLANES READY FOR WAR GAME

By Carroll Kenworthy

United Press Staff Correspondent

Washington, April 15.

Sky fighting on a greater scale than ever known in sea "war" was ahead for the United States fleet to-day as it prepared to steam into the north Pacific from California ports for annual naval manoeuvres.

Two hundred fighting ships, comprising most of the underaged combat units in the navy, were marshalled to take part in the games over an expanse of 2,000,000 square miles.

The "arena" ahead of them is a great triangle 2,000 miles or more on each side, reaching from California to the Aleutian Islands, off Alaska, on one side and thence to the Hawaiian Islands near mid-Pacific. The Midway Islands, 1,200 miles northwestward of Hawaii, will figure also in the operations, it was indicated.

Air power was tested in this region by naval manoeuvres held there two years ago, but to-day more squadrons of flying craft than ever before are available for the games.

IF BRITONS ARE 4,000,000 IN 1999

There Will Be No Germans

SIR W. L. BROWN'S CALCULATION

Professor Sir Walter Langdon, addressing a Birth Control Association Conference at Nottingham by statistics which tried to prove that by the end of this century our population would have fallen to four millions because on the same basis of calculation Germany would have ceased to have any population at all.

However much that might contribute to the peace of Europe, it was not likely to happen.

He believed a higher standard of wealth and "more settled conditions" would lead to the production of more children to enjoy them, and thus with minor fluctuation the balance would be maintained.

Nothing, he continued, promoted physical, mental, moral, and spiritual well-being so much as happy marriage.

"We do not advocate childless marriages," he said. "I doubt whether any man, and I am sure that no woman, is complete without parenthood."

LIMITATION OF FAMILIES

It was precisely those with the deepest sense of responsibility who were anxious to ensure that by limitation of numbers every child should have the best possible chance. It might be said that could be achieved by a further extension of the Social Services. But that could easily be extended to a point—if it had not already been reached—when the provision had to deprive themselves of parenthood for the improvident, and for those who had little sense of responsibility towards children.

He was told that birth control meant defeat in war. It would be true to say that lack of birth control bred war. The fear of war had been a powerful deterrent to many women from having children.

Last year in England and Wales there were 900,000 live births, and (although figures were naturally difficult to obtain) it had been estimated that there were at least 90,000 abortions. The logical conclusion seemed to be that proper medical advice on birth control should be available rather than that 90,000 women should be driven each year to adopt such a terribly dangerous practice.

400 YEARS OF THE H.A.C.

THE OLDEST REGIMENT

REVIEW BY THE KING

By A Correspondent

The Honourable Artillery Company, which claims to be the oldest regiment in the British Army, though the date of actual origin has been lost in the mists of time, is busily preparing to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the granting of Charter of Incorporation by Henry the Eighth.

These celebrations might be said to begin in May when the H.A.C., for the first time in half a century, will take part in the Royal Tournament, 124 men of all ranks appearing in the episode, "A Field Day of 1829."

Because these civilian soldiers, members of the senior unit in the Territorial Force, are "something in the City" by day, the episode is being presented only at night performances, save on the opening afternoon, when the Tournament is opened by the King, Captain-General of the H.A.C.

Then in July the regiment holds high revelry for a week in token of its proud record, and will have as guests nearly 100 members of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company of Boston, Massachusetts, who will be in England out of compliment to their "parent" unit. On July 9 there is to be a ball, attended by 3,000 members and their friends, given in a great marquee erected on the Artillery Ground, Finsbury, E.C. This is followed the following day by a regimental pageant and garden party, in which all ranks of the unit through four centuries will be seen.

SERVICE IN ST. PAUL'S

On Sunday, July 11, there is to be a regimental service of thanksgiving at St. Paul's Cathedral, followed by a banquet on the 12th at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W., which will be attended by 2,000 people, including the Duke of Gloucester, who joined the H.A.C. in 1935. On the 13th the H.A.C. members will themselves be entertained by their comrades from Boston.

At the Guildhall on July 14, the City Corporation, so closely linked with the Company through the centuries, are giving a reception which, it is expected, will be attended by a member of the Royal Family, and on Monday, July 19, the entire regiment will be reviewed by the King.

The men from Boston will be taken to Windsor and shown the house where the English emigrant—one of the H.A.C.—who inaugurated their regiment in 1639 was born, and next year, when the Boston unit is 300 years old, a delegation will set out from Armoury House to join in the rejoicings.

2,000 YEAR LEASE

"We have our ground on perpetual lease from the City Corporation," I was told at Armoury House. "Four years ago the lease was renewed for 2,000 years, so until the year 3933 we are not greatly concerned on the score of accommodation."

When Henry VIII granted his Charter to a company of citizen archers, known as "the Fraternity or Guild of St. George," he instructed these men, in return for certain privileges still jealously guarded, to practise the "science and feat of shooting" with longbow, crossbow, and handgun for the defence of the realm, and with the change in policy the word "Artillery" crept into the title.

So began 400 years of City military history. In time the Fraternity became known as "the Artillery Company." The prefix "Honourable" came into use in 1683 to be officially confirmed by Queen Victoria nearly two centuries later. The word "artillery" in its old sense, meaning archery, or any other missile weapon, and does not signify any connection with artillery in the modern sense. It was not until 1781 that the Artillery Division of the regiment was formed to work brass guns presented by the grateful City for H.A.C. services during the Gordon Riots.

The regimental muster roll, preserved in "The Great Volume Book," is part of English history. In it we find the signatures of Pepys, elected a Steward in 1677; Prince Rupert, the Royalist leader; the ill-fated Montmouth; Charles II.; James II.; William III.; down to the present day.

DEFENCE OF CALAIS

Members of the regiment marched 300 strong in the funeral procession of Sir Philip Sidney; they resisted highwaymen and footpads; and with splendid impartiality the Company took part in the funeral ceremony of Oliver Cromwell and the triumphal entry of Charles II. The Second into London at the Restoration. Members also fought in the last defence of Calais.

It is unnecessary to dwell at length on the recent history of the Company—how it provided almost the entire personnel of the C.I.V. Battery and also infantry and mounted infantry in the South African War, how between 1914 and 1918 units fought on every front and supplied more than 4,000 officers for the Armies.

The H.A.C. is greeting its anniversary in the happy position of being over 400 years old, and at the moment the total membership of the Company, active and veteran, is more than 2,000.

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Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 20th April, 1937.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL.

Agent.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1937.

Rotarian Trip
To CantonAustralians Go By
"Taipo Belle"

Twenty-eight Australian Rotarians who are on a goodwill tour of the Far East had their first taste of railway travel in Asia yesterday, when they proceeded to Canton in the streamlined "Taipo Belle".

Although Australia was probably one of the first countries in the world to institute rail-motor travel, the luxury and comfort of Hongkong's famed tourist coach proved an eye-opener to the visitors from the Antipodes.

The party left Hongkong at 9.10 a.m., returning to the Colony at 5.15 p.m. after an enjoyable day in the capital of Kwangtung.

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FATAL MOTOR
MISHAPEUROPEAN FACES
TWO CHARGES

"There is some evidence that the man hesitated in the middle of the road, and that is why more serious charges are not preferred," said Traffic Inspector Saunders at the Central Magistracy this morning when P. G. Cameron, of Messrs. Carroll Bros., was charged before Mr. W. Schofield on two charges of driving dangerously in Queen's

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

NOTICE.

The Public are hereby notified of the following Traffic arrangements which will be enforced for the official embarkation at 11 a.m. of H.E. Sir Andrew Caldecott, K.C.M.G., C.B.E., at Queen's Pier on Friday, the 16th April.

1. Connaught Road. Central from Pedder Street to Jackson Road will be entirely closed to Vehicular Traffic from 10.30 a.m. to 11.40 a.m. (approx.).

2. Motor cars conveying guests to Queen's Pier will proceed by way of Jackson Road to the Hong Kong Club where the guests will alight and walk to the Pier. Cars will be parked in Connaught Road Central, east of the Hong Kong Club.

3. No parking will be permitted in Jackson Road; Wardley Street, north of the Statue; or Connaught Road Central between Queen's Pier and Star Ferry until 12 noon.

T. H. KING,

Inspector General of Police.

16th April, 1937.

Hong Kong.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY
OF CANTON, LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 16th APRIL, 1937, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1936, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 29th MARCH to 16th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

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A. W. HUGHES,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

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By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

Road East, at 9.25 p.m. on April 13,

and with having inefficient brakes. The charges arose from an accident when Mr. Cameron knocked down a man named Wong Wai-fung, 45, who died in the Government Civil Hospital this morning at 6.30.

Defendant said he reserved his plea because he wished to give the matter some consideration.

Inspector Saunders stated that defendant was driving car No. 1390 along Queen's Road East on Tuesday at a fast speed. He knocked a Chinese down who died this morning. The brakes of the car were tested and, in Inspector Saunders' opinion, were perfectly useless.

The case was remanded until Saturday morning at noon.

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Chartered Bank, £15 1/2 n.

Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £33 1/2 n.

Mercantile Bank, C. £15 1/2 n.

East Asia Bank, \$83 1/2 b.

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Canton, In., \$320 n.

Union In., \$630 n.

China Underwriters, \$1.45 b. and

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LABOUR CHARGES BRITAIN AIDING SPANISH REBELS

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mander on the spot was a better authority than the Basque Government.

There was another storm when the Opposition demanded to hear the text of the Board of Trade's communication warning ships not to enter Bilbao.

Replying to Mr. David Lloyd George, Sir John emphasized that the British Navy would protect vessels if they were attacked by General Franco's warships, no matter where they were.—*Reuter*.

Censure Defeated

London, Apr. 14.

The Labour vote of censure "deploring the failure of the Government to protect British shipping" in connection with the insurgent blockade of Bilbao, was defeated by 345 to 130.—*Reuter*.

Non-Intervention

London, Apr. 14.

The Chairman's sub-committee of the International Committee for the application of the agreement regarding non-intervention in Spain will meet at the Foreign Office to-morrow morning.

It is understood the Committee will have before it communication from the Non-Intervention Board regarding the date for the coming into force of the control scheme, and it is believed the date recommended is early next week.

The question of withdrawal of volunteers from Spain will also be on the sub-committee's agenda.—*British Wireless*.

Abandons Effort

London, Apr. 14.

The British Commercial Secretary at Hendaye is not going to Burgos this week, as he intended, but will continue certain trade discussions with the Burgos authorities. This work is totally unconnected with the Bilbao situation and his proposed effort to obtain a guarantee for the safety of British ships bound for Bilbao has been abandoned.—*Reuter*.

Marked Interest

London, Apr. 14.

The presence of a number of foreign Ambassadors and Ministers in the distinguished strangers' gallery marked the interest aroused by the House of Commons debate on a Labour motion of censure in the following terms:

"The House, taking note of the Prime Minister's statement on the

situation at Bilbao, deploring the failure of His Majesty's Government to give protection to British merchant ships on their lawful occasions."

The first speaker in the debate for the Government was Sir John Simon, Home Secretary. He began by emphasizing the adherence of the Government, in common with the Government of France, to the policy of non-intervention. He then recalled that in August and September last, when naval preponderance in the civil war was still on the Government side, the Madrid authorities had sought to declare a blockade of Ceuta and Melilla and other ports. The British Government refused to recognize the blockade, but then, just as now, directions were issued to British ships for their guidance, in view of the dangers which threatened. It was therefore, he claimed, impossible to maintain that the action taken in reference to the situation at Bilbao represented a new policy.

Sir John Simon proceeded to give information on the situation derived principally from Admiralty reports. On April 6, the destroyer *Blanche* reported that there was a close blockade, and that serious incidents were likely to ensue. When the report was received, *Blanche* was instructed to inform any British merchant ship bound for Bilbao of this state of affairs and to advise it most strongly not to attempt to enter the port. Later, the Government decided to inform British ships that it desired them not to enter Bilbao, on account of the dangerous situation there. The action, he claimed, was on all fours with that taken last autumn.

What Navy Could Do

"Of course" the Home Secretary added, "the British Navy could force its way into any port in Spain. It could sweep the passage clear of mines. But that action would not be consistent with the policy of non-intervention to which it was their primary duty to be faithful."

General Franco had been told expressly that the British Government could not recognise belligerent rights, and that the warning given to British ships would not be considered to have absolved him from the responsibility for any damage to a British ship which disregarded the warning.

Sir John reminded the House that the British Navy had for months discharged a great humanitarian work off the coasts of Spain. They had carried 17,000 innocent people to safety. But within the last two months, on the advice of the Admiralty, it has been thought unsafe, because of the danger from mines, for British warships to enter ports on the Basque coast and the work had to be done, so far as possible, by

ships which were not men-of-war. Sir John claimed, in conclusion, that he had justified the action of the Government to the House and to the country.

Surrender Of Rights

Moving the censure motion, Mr. Attlee said the Opposition regarded the Government's action in warning British ships against entering the port of Bilbao, as a surrender of rights which had always been maintained for British shipping, and a surrender made in the face of a grave breach of international law. The Spanish insurgents had no belligerent rights and no right to blockade Spanish ports. Prevention of British ships trading with Spain was no part of the non-intervention policy, so long as they carried neither munitions nor volunteers.

The issue, therefore, was simple. British ships, on their lawful occasions, had been turned back by the rebels. What was to be done? The Cabinet came to a decision. The Prime Minister made a firm declaration against interference with British shipping—the white ensign is hoisted; then it is run down and the white flag is run up. British ships were, to all intents and purposes, told they must not go to Bilbao. Yet there was no question this time of starting a world war or of great trouble with a great foreign Power. The threat to which the Government surrendered came from rebels, whose land forces were on land and who had no great naval strength.

Mr. Attlee asked for detailed information of the evidence upon which the Government had reached their decision, and the source from which it came. He declared that General Franco who was falling generally, was dependent for a local success upon starving women and children, and that the British Government acquiesced. The Government had no right to put upon British sailors such humiliation.

Other Speeches

The Liberal speaker, Sir Archibald Sinclair, who followed the Home Secretary, argued that the Government action in discouraging British food ships from entering Basque ports was an intervention in the civil war, and not, as Sir John Simon claimed, the next speaker was Mr. Winston Churchill, who said he was a partisan of neither side in Spain, but it would be madness to break the blockade which the insurgents had established, and, according to British naval officers, effectively established, if Great Britain was to retain that police in relation to the Spanish civil war which was so useful for the prevention of its spreading into Europe. Mr. Churchill ended with a suggestion for co-operation of the five Powers whose navies were joining in the control scheme, in proposing some solution of the Spanish civil war. He hoped such co-operation in the case of Spain might lead to a lessening of the tension in Europe generally.—*British Wireless*.

BRITISH STRIKES SPREAD

Kent Busmen Quit:
Dublin Walk-Out

Canada's Labour
Troubles Grow

London, Apr. 14.

A lightning unofficial strike of bus conductors and drivers began this morning in Kent, the towns affected being Tunbridge Wells, Folkestone and Maidstone.

The men's Union is to meet this afternoon to discuss the situation.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

DUBLIN WALK-OUT

Dublin, Apr. 14.

Ten thousand men began a general building strike this morning, when bricklayers, masons and workers connected with the building trade downed tools, demanding higher wages and shorter hours.

The building trade at Cork is also paralysed by a sympathetic strike of 1,300 men.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

STRIKERS BEING FOOLED?

Oshawa, Apr. 14.

The Mayor of Oshawa, Mr. Alexander Hall, has telegraphed Mr. Homer Marlin, president of the United Automobile Workers, demanding that a strike be called on Monday in the United States automobile plants the C.I.O. controls if the Canadian dispute is still unsettled. Otherwise, says the Mayor, he will call a mass meeting and tell the striking employees of the Oshawa plant that they are being fooled and their union is not playing the game with them.—*Reuter*.

SHIP-WORKERS STRIKE

St. Nazaire, April 14.

Three hundred workmen on the new cruiser, *Georges Leygues*, struck to-day for an increase in wages.—*Reuter*.

STEAMER DELAYED

New York, April 14.

Two hundred and fifty passengers for Europe were delayed to-day when the liner, *President Roosevelt*, failed to sail at noon owing to a sit-down strike.

The crew refused to sign articles unless the company rejected nine engine-room replacements to which the seamen objected because, it is alleged, they did not support the recent strike.—*Reuter*.

GOVERNMENT SPLIT

Toronto, Apr. 14.

Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario has written to his Minister of

LOCAL ESTATES GRANTS OF PROBATE MADE

The late Mr. Bernardino Maria Cardoso da Cunha, clerical assistant of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, and formerly of 5 Humphreys Avenue, left local estate amounting to \$78,000. Mr. Cunha died at St. Paul's Hospital on January 22 last. Probate of the will has been granted to the widow, Mrs. Helena Maria Perpetua da Cunha, the sole beneficiary. Local estate sworn under \$22,000 was left by the late Mr. Duncan Willie Paterson, formerly of 110 Cannon Street, London, who died at the Hospital for Tropical Disease, Gordon Street, Euston, Middlesex, on June 25, 1936. An application by Mr. G. Miskin, the lawful attorney, for sealing copy of probate of the will was granted.

Probate of the will of Mrs. Chui Yun-hi, alias Cheung Chu-shi, widow, who died at 1 Wood Road, Hongkong, on July 23, 1936, leaving \$27,100, has been granted to Chui Sau-shan.

The late Mr. Henry Milner, of Benu Rivage Greve d'Azite, St. Clements, Jersey, who died at St. Saviour, Jersey, on May 15, 1935, left local estate valued at \$3,000. An application by Mr. M. M. Watson for sealing certified copy of probate of the will was granted.

Formerly of the City of New Westminster, British Columbia, the late Mr. H. Quan, alias Quan Hoy, otherwise known as Quan Yuen-hoy, left local estate worth \$9,100. Deceased died on or about October 15, 1935. Mr. J. T. Prior, solicitor, the lawful attorney, was allowed to seal letters of administration to the estate.

Labour and the Attorney-General, calling upon them to resign, following differences over the administration's attitude towards the strike in the General Motors plant at Oshawa. Mr. Hepburn, who strongly opposes the strikers, and the United Automobile Workers Union, declares he won't confer with provincial officials until the resignations of the two ministers are presented.—*Reuter*.

MINISTERS RESIGN

Toronto, Apr. 14.

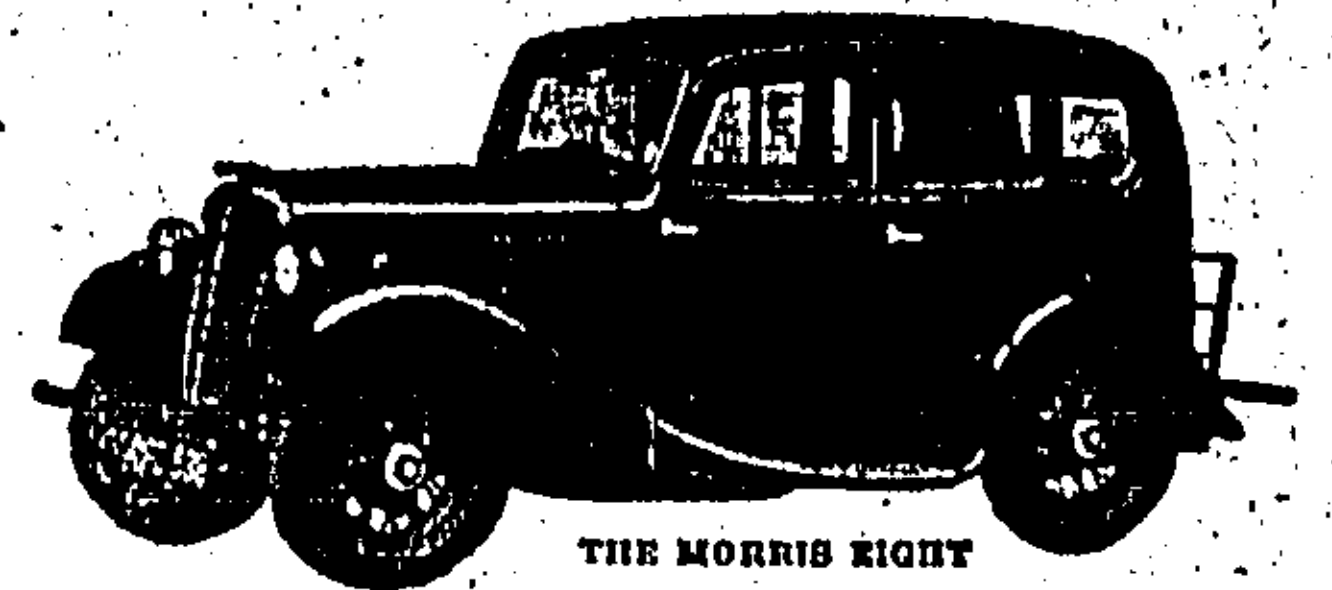
Mr. David Croll, Ontario Minister of Labour, and Mr. Arthur Roebuck, Attorney-General, have resigned from the Cabinet.

Premier Mitchell Hepburn demanded their resignations owing to differences over the attitude of the Administration to the General Motors factory strike at Oshawa.—*Reuter*.

OTTAWA WATCHFUL

Ottawa, Apr. 14.

The Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, stated to-day that the Dominion Government had no intention of intervening in the General Motors dispute unless there was reason to hope that such intervention would be of value.—*Reuter*.



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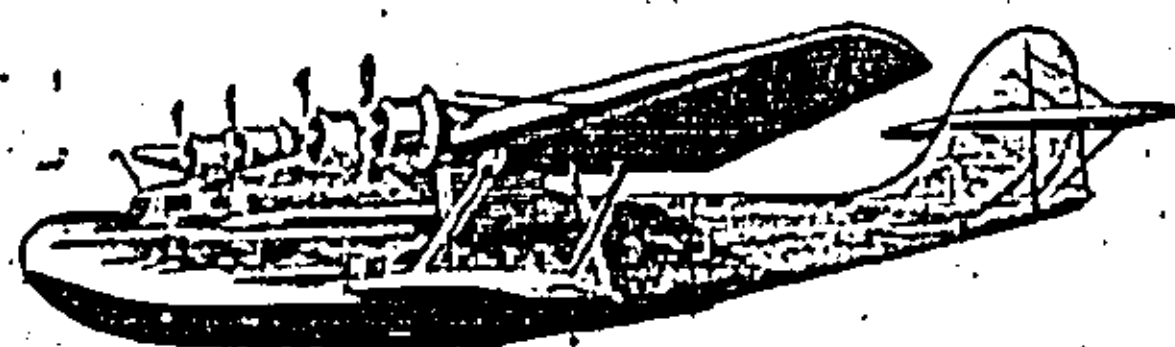


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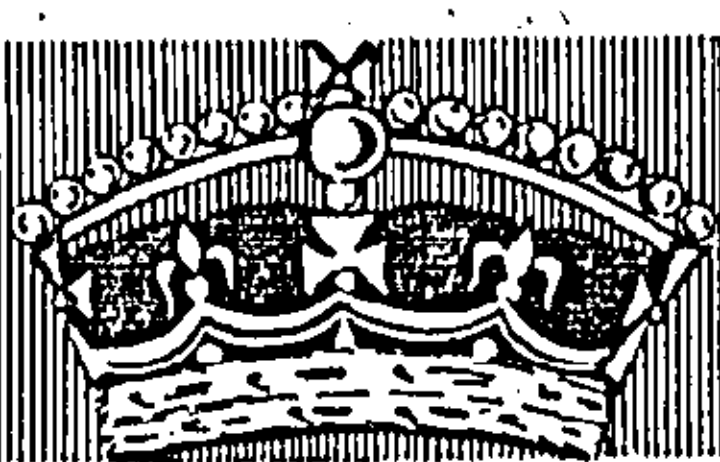
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THE COLONY'S LOSS

The Colony will to-morrow say farewell with very real and deeply-felt regret to His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott, who, during the relatively short period of their stay here, have won what can be rightly described as a wonderful degree of popularity. Sir Andrew Caldecott will have had the reputation of the shortest gubernatorial term of office in Hongkong's history; it is no mere platitude to say that he will also be remembered in the days to come as one of the very best and most capable Governors the Colony has ever had. It is a thousand pities that Hongkong could not have retained his services for the full period of five years. During the period of his incumbency, His Excellency has displayed an amazing grasp of the Colony's problems, which are altogether different from those with which he was called upon to deal during his lengthy service in Malaya. How clear-cut his conception of the essential needs of Hongkong are was made plainly evident in his valedictory address to the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon. No-one can have read that speech without feeling that Sir Andrew takes the right perspective of the Colony's problems and that, were he to stay with us longer, many of the questions which call for urgent attention would be taken in hand without undue delay. But though His Excellency is going to other spheres, it may be assumed that he will have left behind him some record of his views for the guidance of his successor. Apart from his marked administrative abilities, Sir Andrew has made many friends, and very real friends at that, amongst all circles of the Colony's cosmopolitan community, thanks to his charm of personality and his attributes as a "good mixer." The Colony will be the poorer by his departure and also by that of Lady Caldecott, who has been a worthy helpmeet to His Excellency and has shown a very lively interest and sympathetic concern in all movements conducive to the well-being of the Colony. It will, however, be some consolation both to His Excellency and to Lady Caldecott, in severing their connection with a Colony which they had come to like so much, to realise that their services have been so greatly appreciated by those who wish them all happiness in their new sphere of labour.

LATEST ROYAL HATS



QUEEN MARY

is faithful to her toques



THE QUEEN

is wearing a flat-crowned hat with a wide peak-like brim



THE DUCHESS OF KENT

is wearing this flat beret tilted forward, which shows her curls



THE PRINCESS ROYAL

Her hat is trimmed with wings



THE DUCHESS OF
GLOUCESTER

wears a sort of Scottish bonnet of black velvet



—AND PRINCESS
ELIZABETH

doesn't usually wear a hat at all. This one has flowers round it

NEWS FROM A town near Enzesfeld

where

they are dancing all night every night they actually bother about politics the girls all go to gym. classes they have to have order-keepers at football matches

THERE is a new joke in Vienna; about the Duke of Windsor. Two Englishmen meet in a Continental train. Says one to the other: "Where are you going?"—"Vienna," is the reply. "Where's that?"—"A town near Enzesfeld."

The interest in the Duke's daily movements is declining now, so Enzesfeld village is not the fashionable place it was. The village inn, whose takings rose from 44 to 240 a day when a hundred journalists from every corner of the world ate and drank there, is now returning to normal trade.

The little boys of the village who played truant to watch the funny foreigners are now back under the schoolmaster's eye.

The Duke seems to have settled down there for some time. After April he will probably buy a house in Austria somewhere. Friends from England come and go. His daily routine is skiing, golf and skittles.

OCCASIONALLY he visits. It is a serious business—a Vienna—more frequent point of honour with the true Viennese to cover as many miles of dance floor as his legs will carry him and stay up till dawn the walk. He is described as as often as he can. The fact that he enjoys himself is a side-issue.

The other day I watched him come down a slope in fine style, finishing up with a "Christiania," a turn that takes some doing. His handsome, blue-eyed young instructor, Walter Dellekarth, tells me that the reason of the Duke's progress is his athletic talent. He calls him his best pupil.

THERE is one thing the Viennese and British have in common; both take their pleasures seriously.

Take "Fasching," Vienna's carnival season, which is just now nearing its end. There is a great public ball nearly every night and the whole city goes deliberately gay.

Vienna, which in ordinary times is quite a quiet, sensible town, goes Viennese—in the Hollywood sense of the word.

Every Viennese, from the wealthiest to those who can borrow a dress suit and the price of a reduced ticket, takes his girl, his wife, or somebody else's wife to a ball.

Each ball is opened in grand, old-fashioned style. The young ladies' and gentlemen's committee, after a parade round the ball-room under the eyes of mothers and fathers, pair up and spin off into a dizzy Viennese waltz to a Johann Strauss tune. After that it's a free-for-all.

Nothing will stop the Viennese talking about politics. Living on the pulse of central Europe, they talk politics as we talk racing. One of Vienna's countless political jokes—all good ones are originally Viennese models—runs thus:

Two men sit silent and dejected together in a coffee-house. Eventually one breaks the silence to sigh, "Oh, dear," and again relapses into gloom.

Ten minutes later the other sighs, "Oh, dear," and echoes "Oh, dear." Whereat the first one says sharply, "Do let's stop talking politics all the time."

CHANCELLOR DR. KURT VON SCHUSCHNIGG, war-time artillery officer, one-time provincial lawyer, is cock o' carry him and stay up till dawn the walk. He is described as as often as he can. The fact that he enjoys himself is a side-issue.

He likes riding horses and musical evenings. Otherwise he is rather colourless—but very clever.

Schuschnigg, by the way, is Europe's strongest dictator, although he disavows the title. He stands on the shoulders of two others—Hitler and Mussolini, both of whom guarantee him.

As long as Hitler and Mussolini stand shoulder to shoulder, Schuschnigg cannot fall.

Many think a peaceful union is already taking place between Austria and Germany. The much-hailed arrival of the German Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, yesterday is considered to be not without significance.

That is what the Jews think, anyway. Many who can are leaving Austria.

TO turn to lighter things, the Viennese butchering trade has quarrelled for years over the correct titles for the seventy-odd kinds of sausages the Viennese adore eating.

There were 180 names in existence, many of which duplicated one another. Some fancy name often concealed no more than our old friend the Frankfurter (U.S. "hot dog").

To end this anarchy Vienna butchers appointed a commission for the "normalisation" of the sausage trade. The commission has annihilated nearly two-thirds of the fancy names, and laid down precisely what ingredients each sausage type is to contain.

GYMNASIUM classes are the newest fashion among Viennese women. If you ask a girl to have a morning coffee nowadays she probably refuses "because I must go to my gym. class."

Scattered among hundreds of small gymnasiums throughout the city many tons of Viennese pulchritude are to be heard, if not seen, punching medicine balls about before lunch.

I know two girls who are regulars. One goes to get slimmer, the other goes to fill out a bit.

FROM theatreland I have to report that our old favourite "Rose Marie" has just had a month's successful revival at the Stadttheater. "White Horse Inn" is next on the resuscitation list.

Sport: Austrian League teams have now to provide uniformed "order-keepers" on their home pitches. Their job is to prevent the bombardment of visiting teams, or fights between rival fans.

Plain-clothes "order-keepers" have been found unsatisfactory. Because they wore no uniforms to stamp them definitely as officials their order-keeping tended to be one-sided—leniency for offenders who supported the home team, great severity in dealing with the opposing team's partisans.

Vienna has just been through its 'flu epidemic like every other European capital. But it's rather proud that its death-roll from 'flu is the smallest.

"The Blue Danube," which has done more than even Hollywood to place Vienna on the entertainment map, has just celebrated its seventieth anniversary with full musical honours before the Johann Strauss monument. It is still going strong, like Vienna.

Dennis
Clarke

SHAREHOLDERS WANT VOICE IN HOTELS' AFFAIRS

(Continued from Page 1.)

again necessitated operating at cut rates, and in consequence the contribution from the hotels in the Northern Port to the General Working Account was again a meagre one. The Hotel operated by our subsidiary Company in Peking enjoyed excellent business during its last accounting period ended on the 30th June, 1936, and I am pleased to state that current returns show still further improvement.

BIG R. BALANCE

The improved conditions upon which I have commented permit me to direct your attention to an enlargement in amount of the item "Balance of Working Account," which is included in the Profit and Loss Account before you at a figure of \$509,227.43. This result is better by \$158,000 than the Working Account produced in respect of the previous year. The enhancement may be contemplated with a certain amount of satisfaction, but I would remind you that the result depicted does not yet conform to the standard which should be achieved in periods of normal trading. The other item in the Profit and Loss Account to the credit of Profit and Loss Account does not, I consider, call for particular comment.

With regard to the contra side of the Account, the provision for bad and doubtful debts at \$10,340 compares favourably with the debit made under the like heading, \$14,302, in the Accounts for the previous year. In relation to this item, I can assure you that the amount included in the 1936 account adequately provides for contingencies of the nature the appropriation is expected to cover.

Bank interest at \$5,859.49 represents the lowest figure this charge has reached for many years. Maintenance and repairs debit for the year has increased by \$23,000 over the debit for the previous year, but when it is realised that this disbursement applies to seven large hotels and a Garage Department, objection to such expenditure should not be raised, for as you are aware, proper and continual maintenance is essential to successful operation of the particular business your Company is running.

You will note that reorganisation expenses totalling \$5,037.26 have been written off. This item covers the entire cost of legal and accounting (and printing) costs, etc. involved in connection with the reduction of capital scheme which was passed by shareholders and approved by the Court last year.

Ample provision for depreciation has been made at rates endorsed by commercial practice and the residual values of the various assets after the application thereto of the reorganisation measures, and amounts for the year to \$134,742.03.

In the document in your hands, the balance sheet details appear much enlarged this year. This is due to the fact that the provisions of the reorganisation scheme, which was passed by Shareholders on the 27th May, 1936, and approved by the Court on the 30th July last, have been particularised against the items affected.

There is little I can usefully add in amplification. I would mention that the additions to furniture and fixtures, shown net—\$24,729.61—cover items which have been acquired for various establishments in a furtherance of modernisation measures, and that the sales referred to in connection with the same asset represents the proceeds of realisation by private treaty of certain of the Peak Hotel furniture on the closure of that establishment.

Referring to the stated liabilities, you will observe that the Special Repairs and Renewals Account suffered depletion during the year to the extent of \$15,738.10. This sum was absorbed in acquiring and fixing silencing apparatus for passenger lifts, meeting the cost of repairs due to such typhoon damage sustained in August last, was not covered by insurance, and reconstructing and embellishing certain suites of rooms at the Peninsula Hotel and the Repulse Bay Hotel. The last mentioned expenditure has had the effect of placing the accommodation dealt with in the category of "de luxe." A demand for this type of accommodation had been detected, and its popularity since completion evidenced by tenancies at very lucrative rates, thoroughly justifies our expenditure on it.

SMALL OVERDRAFT

The small overdraft figure at the 31st December, 1936, you will I think, agree is negligible, and at \$10,308.25 denotes a reduction in our indebtedness under that heading during the year of \$279,000.00.

The net profit for the year amounted to \$220,064.30, which added to the balance brought forward from last year of \$339,201.11 (after the small re-organisation deduction), provides an amount of \$559,265.55 available for appropriation. Your Board recommends that \$298,466.75 be utilised to pay a dividend of twenty-five cents per share on 1,193,807 shares, and that the balance then remaining—\$260,798.80—be carried forward to new account. Your Directors appreciate that the carrying into effect of their recommendation involves utilising from the previous carry forward some \$78,000, being the amount by which the actual profit for the year falls short of the amount of the proposed dividend. They are of opinion, however, in view of the ascertained improved earnings for the greater part of the first quarter of this year, coupled with a rapid accumulation of the cash resources of the Company now being experienced, that such a step should properly be taken having regard to the interests alike of the Company and of its shareholders.

I now formally propose that the report of the Directors and the accounts for the financial year ended 31st December, 1936, as presented by

adopted, and that the balance of \$559,265.55, standing to the credit of Profit and Loss Account be appropriated as follows:—To pay a dividend of 25 cents per share on 1,193,807 shares, \$298,466.75; to carry forward to New Account, \$260,798.80, and I shall be obliged if some shareholder will kindly second such proposal, whereupon questions as to the Report and Accounts may be raised.

SECONDER'S SPEECH

Mr. Frank Austin, in seconding, said:—You, Sir, have given very full details regarding the Accounts, and there is very little for me to add. It is gratifying to know that the patronage extended to our hotels in Hongkong is so much greater than during the previous year; also that this increase shows acceleration during the first few months of 1937. It is pleasant to hear that you receive with frequency, returns from our Hotel Managers, that all accounts of affairs may long continue.

The turning point upwards from the long period of depression that we have been through, followed after the fixing of exchange at about its present level by the Chinese Government, and similar actions on the part of the Hongkong Government, the note in the reactions of the audience. Never before has a Philharmonic Society production created better "atmosphere" than in "The Street Singer". It has warmth, spontaneity and genuineness.

NEW HOTEL?

I trust the Directors will find it possible at an early date to build a modern establishment on the site of the old Peak Hotel, as I am convinced that if proper economy is exercised in the building of a new hotel on the Peak, it will prove to be a satisfactory investment. There is a strong demand by a certain proportion of residents in Hongkong, who are not necessarily here to work, for a great length of time, to be relieved of the worries and responsibilities of running their own establishment, and who would welcome a first-class hotel on the Peak, provided the rates asked are reasonable.

The situation in Shanghai is still difficult, and it is probable that the contribution of our Shanghai hotels will not be a substantial one until the existing old buildings are replaced with more modern and up-to-date ones.

At the annual meeting of our Company held on May 27th last year, the re-organisation scheme was fully discussed, and finally passed by shareholders; as a result of which our shares were reduced from \$10 to \$7.50 each. At a time when opinion regarding the advisability of the scheme was very much divided, it fell to my lot to advocate the proposed reduction; and, among other things, I then stated that "the reconstruction proposed, given only fair trading conditions in the near future, should bring the time nearer when the Company would be placed again upon a dividend-paying basis." After going carefully into the proposed scheme, those were my considered opinions, but I confess I did not expect that a better scheme would be forthcoming in less than a year's time.

For many years I have been a resident in one or other of our hotels, and have always taken a particular interest in the Company's affairs. Apart from the improved general conditions already referred to, the better results shown by the present accounts are due very largely to the stern economies exercised with regard to salaries, and the general running of the business. The most careful supervision has been exercised by our Managing Director, and his staff; and my gratitude is due to them for all they have done. I have pleasure in seconding the proposal that the report of the Directors and the accounts for the financial year ended 31st December, 1936, as presented be adopted, and that the balance of \$559,265.55 standing to the credit of Profit and Loss Account be appropriated as follows:—To pay a dividend of 25 cents per share on 1,193,807 shares, \$298,466.75; to carry forward to New Account, \$260,798.80.

SHAREHOLDER INTERVENES

Dr. F. H. Kew: With regard to Mr. Austin's suggestion of the building of a new hotel on the Peak, I think that in the event the Directors decide to take this step a meeting of shareholders should be called before they launch such a scheme.

The Chairman: Dr. Kew, the Directors have powers, under the articles, to deal with this and with other matters, and if your suggestion is that they should give up these powers, then, of course, they cannot agree to it. The matter of the Peak Hotel has been mentioned in my speech, and, as I said, the matter is still under consideration. There is nothing definite at all.

Dr. Kew: I was not referring to your remarks but to Mr. Austin's. The Directors may have powers, but surely, considering the number of shareholders, they should have a voice or they might be asked whether the scheme is feasible or not.

Mr. J. P. Braga: I think, like most questions, there are two sides to the picture. Dr. Kew is quite within his rights in putting the suggestion for consideration by you, Sir, and members of the Board. On the other hand, I claim the same rights to speak on behalf of shareholders like myself who feel that the Board of Directors have a very responsible and have very extensive means of ascertaining the ways and wherefores, the ways and means for the provision of any scheme that, in their considered opinion, they might think advisable, in the interests of

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

"STREET SINGER" IS BIG SUCCESS

PHILHARMONIC SPRINGS SURPRISE

Whatever else may be said of the Philharmonic Society's production "The Street Singer" (and for the most part it is excellent enough to withstand criticism), it can be fairly named as the most colourful show Hongkong has enjoyed for many years. It is hard to conceive of anything more pleasing to the eye than the carnival scene in the second act of this vivacious musical play.

The mountings are superb and the players add lustre to their exceedingly attractive fancy costumes.

The company, having discovered a spontaneous delight in its lyrics and music, and its opportunities for unaffected gaiety, proceed to play the scene with such joyous abandon as to leave the audience feeling there could be no happier place in the world than the studio of a young French artist who is struggling towards success.

TOP OF THEIR FORM

The entire second act finds principals, supporting players and chorus at the top of their form. It is quite obvious that they are thoroughly enjoying themselves and this cannot fail to strike a sympathetically responsive note in the reactions of the audience. Never before has a Philharmonic Society production created better "atmosphere" than in "The Street Singer". It has warmth, spontaneity and genuineness.

The story is thin, but by means of clever embellishments the company makes it appear vital. The "tains" are very good, particularly that which closes the first act. Though the play is essentially a romance, the players succeed in investing some of the scenes with a distinct flavour of drama. Thus romance, drama and comedy are cleverly interwoven each making its distinct contribution to a successful show.

GOOD LEADS

If this critique has so far placed emphasis on general effects, this is not to be taken as reflection on individuals. In most instances the leads are very creditably taken.

Anne Winter, of course, is an entertainment in herself. Her delightful soprano voice is heard at its best in the many tuneful numbers which it falls to her lot to sing. Beyond her talents as a vocalist, Anne Winter has a stage deportment and ability to characterise which keeps her in the front rank of local amateur performers.

Stapani-Thomson's work as Bonni, the hero, is highly diverting. His first leading role, and though it is quite possible to form varied opinions as to how the character should be interpreted, I think Stapani-Thomson's impression is as good as any conceivable. His quick, nervous speech, fluttering hands and general air of suppressed energy, belies just the type of actor who is a debonair and care-free artist, had in mind. Furthermore Stapani-Thomson has quite a pleasing voice, an attractive appearance on the stage, and an air of confidence which suggests better things to come in future Philharmonic productions.

STEALS THE SHOW

From the viewpoint of straight acting, I do not think it unfair to the

Company, either to present to the shareholders or push ahead on their own knowledge. They are in the special position to consider circumstances, conditions and future prospects that we, as shareholders, whatever our holdings, cannot see. In the circumstances, Sir, quite apart from the fact of the powers vested in you and your colleagues upon any measures, I feel that this is one of those steps in which we should not interfere with the decision of the Board at all. On the other hand, I think there is a lot in the idea, although there are special circumstances, but from my special knowledge of the position of this Board, I think if there are any matters affecting the shareholders, they would welcome and invite any necessary opinion for their guidance and better deliberation.

The Chairman: I think, Dr. Kew and Mr. Braga, you are not wanting to take anything from the powers of the Board in this respect and that you rely on their discretion to do what is best for the Company. You can rest assured that the Board of the Company will give due consideration to any decision that may be taken with regard to something of importance, but of course they do not propose to abdicate their powers under the Articles of Association.

The proposal for the adoption of the report and accounts and the carrying into effect of the Directors' recommendations thereon was carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

The confirmation of the appointment of Mr. J. P. Braga as Secretary, and the re-election of Mr. J. Scott Harrison to the Board of Directors were approved, on the proposal of Mr. M. H. Lo, seconded by Mr. J. T. Bramm. Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, proposed, and Mr. J. P. Braga seconded, the re-election of Messrs. Percy Smith, Sing and Fleming as auditors and the payment to them of \$3,000 in respect of extra services rendered last year in undertaking the whole of the work in connection with the registration of transfers of shares in the Company and the centre of the registered members. The motion was carried.

Those present at the meeting were: Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie (Chairman), Mr. Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. J. Scott Harrison (Directors), Mr. J. H. Tarrant (Managing Director), Mr. P. H. C. Barry (Secretary), and Messrs. H. Gillins, A. M. L. Soares, G. A. Harriman, E. Abraham, A. G. Piovanello, J. P. Braga, F. Austin, M. H. Lo, C. C. Blake, J. M. Alves, J. T. Bramm, and Dr. F. H. Kew (shareholders).

principals to suggest that Evelyn Fullerton steals the show. She plays to perfection the part of Marie, a model who falls in love with Bonni, and later goes through the whole gamut of emotions and reactions caused by jealousy. Her harsh voice is ideally created for the viperish lines which she has to utter, but even more engaging are her facial expressions when she pouts, flares up in anger, sneers and beseeches. For such an insubstantial part it is a most polished performance, full of meaning and very intelligent.

Bob Henderson makes a triumphant debut. His is not an ideal comedy part, though it has a few good lines. But Henderson scores handsomely by investing the part with his engaging personality. His sepulchral tone of voice lends a rich flavour of comedy not to be found in the ordinary recitation of his lines. It is a part which could easily be abused by over-acting. Henderson skillfully under-acts and thereby makes Francois a very entertaining individual. What's more, his song "Ow I Ate Worms" is splendidly sung, while almost as enjoyable is his duet with Nina Valentine, "Husband Number Two". In this, however, one wished the singers were nearer the footlights. Some of the best lines were inaudible.

POOR PART PLAYED WELL. H. M. Cockle has a very poor part to play and it is to his credit that he makes it appear important. His best work is towards the end of the second act when, outraged by Bonni's treatment of the Street Singer, he tells his friend artist precisely what he thinks of him and his pictures. I imagine Mr. Cockle can see red on the stage better than anybody else in Hongkong.

Supporting these principals is a cast of players who show intelligent appreciation of their parts, and a chorus which again upholds the traditions of the Society. The ladies are handsomely costumed, sing tunefully, behave naturally.

Cecil Brown, as producer, has again scored a winner. His value to the Philharmonic Society cannot be over-estimated. He has the knack of making the most of his material, of giving faithful and intelligent interpretations to a script, and of creating ensembles to the very best effect.

His many assistants also merit commendation. "The Street Singer" should enjoy a most successful season. It deserves to, and the public will be lacking in appreciation of first-class entertainment if they do not give the production full support.

The attendance at the Queen's Theatre last night was extremely disappointing, though the play was accorded a very friendly reception.—S.A.G.

Co. Reduces Capital

Has Too Much Money For Its Needs

On the somewhat unusual ground that it had more money than it needed, and did not know what to do with it, the Vibro Piling Co., Ltd., brought an application before the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning for confirmation of the reduction of its capital from \$215,000 to \$150,000.

Appearing for the applicants, the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, junr., who was instructed by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, said the petition was brought because the Company was in the extremely happy position of having more money than it needed and did not know what to do with it. Granting the application, His Lordship said it was something like shareholders being given back £2 after they had put up £5.

His Lordship also directed that the minutes for the confirmation of the reduction and the registration of them be published in the Government Gazette, the South China Morning Post, and the Wah Tsz Yat Po.

MOTORSHIP SUNK

San Francisco, Apr. 14. The Commandant of the 15th Naval District reports that the California Packing Company's motorship, Taiyo, sank in Panama Bay and that Baillet's Port Captain, W. F. Jacobs, rescued her crew of 17.—United Press.

ROOSEVELT APPROVES

Washington, Apr. 14. President Roosevelt has approved the appointment of a joint Philippines-American Committee to study the economic relations of the two Governments preparatory to the termination of preferential trade treatment.—Reuter.

RADIO BROADCAST

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME

Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Wave-lengths of 385 metres (845 k.c.s.), 31.40 metres (9.52 m.c.s.) 5 p.m. Relay of Dance Music from the Roof-Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

6 p.m. Children's Concert.

6.30 p.m. The Berlin State Opera Orchestra with Elsie Sud-daby (Soprano).

Orchestra—Polonaise No. 2 (Liszt, arr. Muller—Berghaus); Soprano Solos—Nymphs and Shepherds (Puccini), My mother bids me blind (Haydn); Orchestra—"Jubel"—Overture (Weber); Soprano Solo—Cradle Song (Schubert); Orchestra—The Bartered Bride—Overture (Smetana); Soprano Solo—The Almond Tree (Schumann); Orchestra—Torch Dance No. 1 in B Flat Major (Mozart).

7.10 p.m. Piano-forte Recital by Arthur Rubinstein.

Polonaise No. 2 in E Flat Minor, Op. 26, No. 2 (Chopin); Polonaise No. 3 in A Major, Op. 40, No. 1 (Chopin); Minuet and Trio (from Fantasia Sonata in G Major, Op. 70, (Schubert); Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Op. 3, No. 2 (Bachmannoff); 7.30 p.m. Stock Quotations and Exchange Market.

7.35 p.m. New Mayfair Orchestra.

Ballad—Memories; Love Tales; "Toad of Toad Hall"—Selection (Fraser-Simson); Jerome Kern Melodies, (arr. Henry Hall).

8 p.m. Time Signal, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Chinese Concert.

11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05 p.m. Vocal Gems.

"Helen" (Offenbach, arr. Korn-gold); "Columbia Light Opera Company"; "The Student Prince" (Rom-berg); Light Opera Company; Some of my Songs... Mabel Wayne.

8.25 p.m. Piano Medley by Renara.

"Sweet Adeline" Medley; Rhythm of the rain, introducing "Valentine"; Zing! went the strings of my heart; "Glamorous Night" Waltz Medley; "8.40 p.m. Polpourri of Waltzes played by Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

8.55 p.m. London, News and Announcements.

9.15 p.m. Musical Interlude (Recorded).

9.23 p.m. "Food for Thought" Three Short Talks on matters of topical interest.

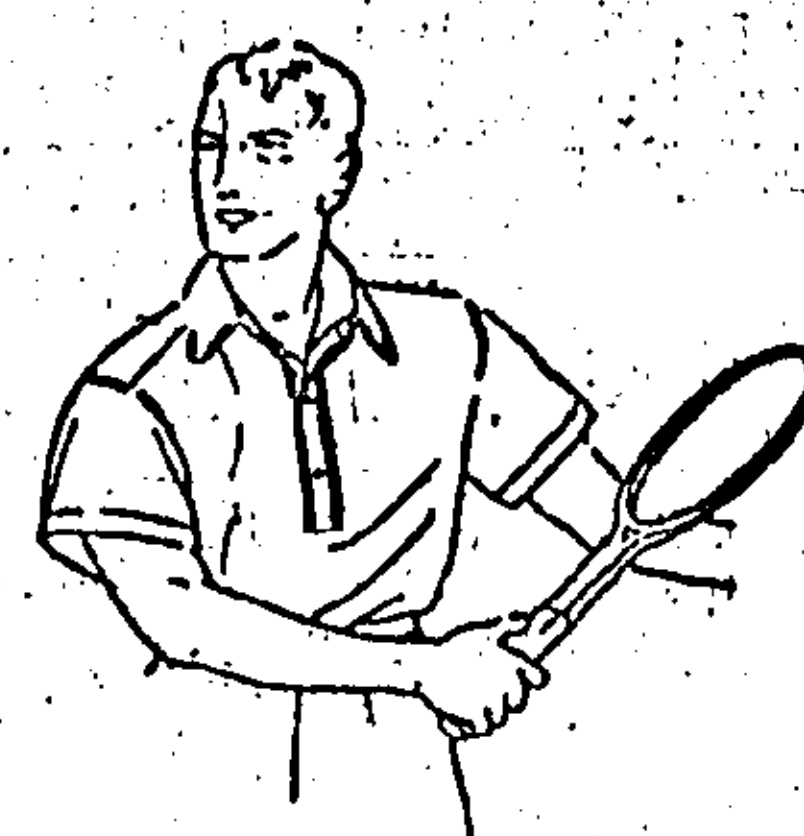
9.45 p.m. Variety Items.

Vocal—Polly—Wolly—Doodle... Mne Questal; Accordion—Stars and Stripes for ever—March... George Scott-Wood; Vocal—One Night of Love... Master Robert Harris (Boy-Soprano); Hawaiian—Maybe it's the moon... Frank Ferera's Hawaiian Trio; Vocal—There's no one with endurance... Frank Crumit, (Comedian).

10 p.m. Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Tain't no use; Fox-Trot—Poor Dinah; Fox-Trot—Empty Saddles; Fox-Trot—Supposing; Waltz—Say that you will not forget; Waltz—Sweet Mary Rose; Fox-Trot—Bring me back; Fox-Trot—Just as long as the world goes round and around; Fox-Trot—He kissed Maggie; Maggie kissed him back; Quick-Step—We're friends again; Slow Fox-Trot—Poor Butterflies; Waltz—Vienna, City of my dreams; Fox-Trot—Say the word and it's yours; Fox-Trot—Everything's in rhythm with my heart; Fox-Trot—There isn't any limit to my love; Fox-Trot—I don't want to make history; Fox-Trot—Goody-Goody; Fox-Trot—It's been so long; Waltz—Poeme.

11 p.m. Close Down.



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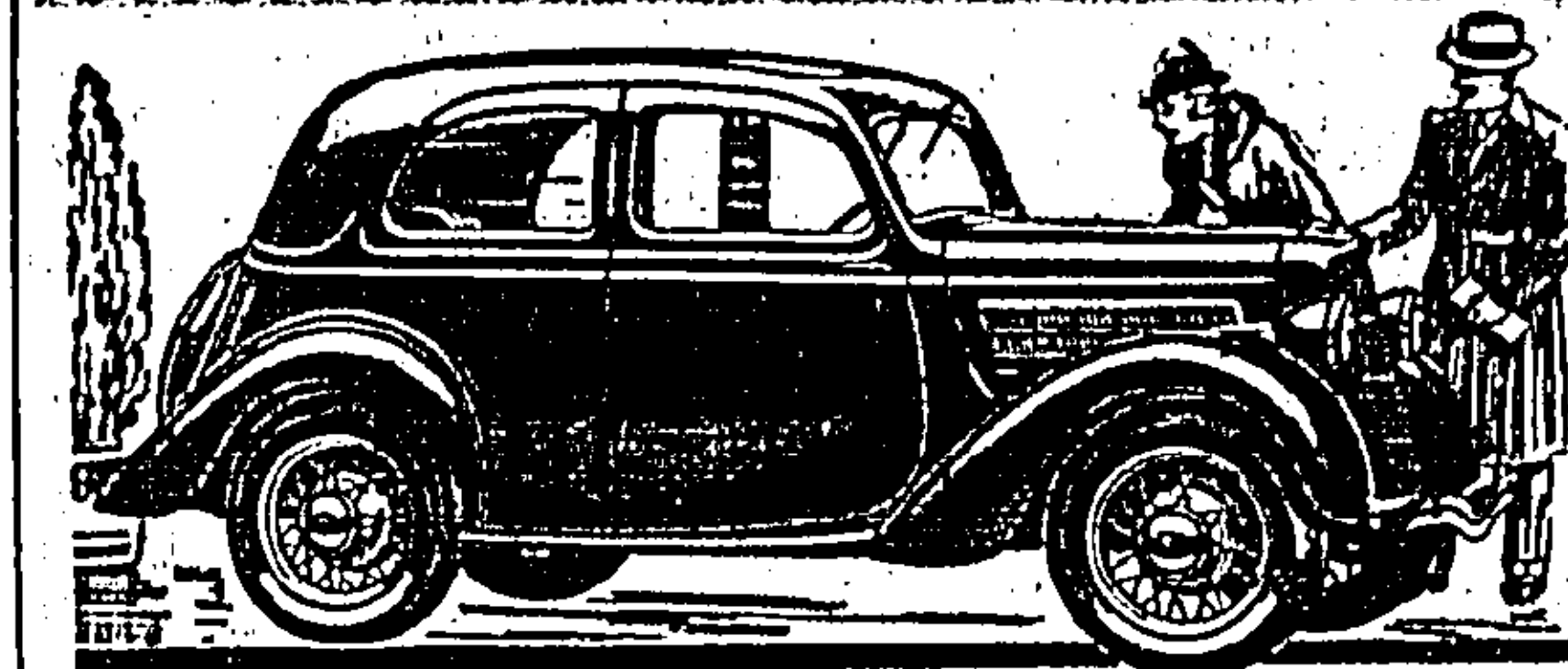
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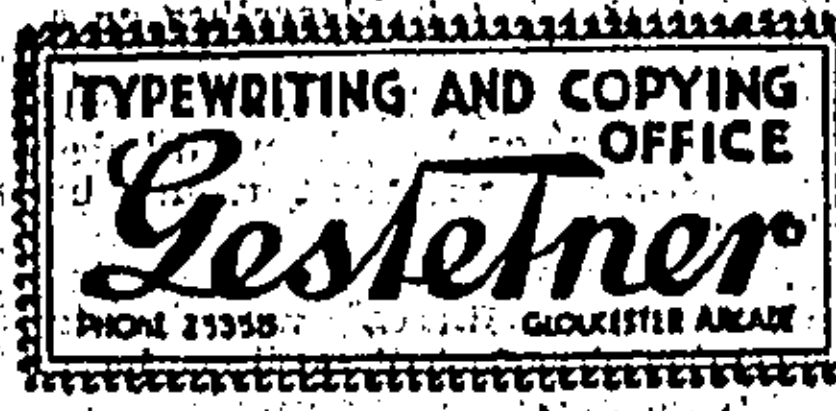
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MANCHESTER CITY ALMOST LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

RIFLES HAVE A GOLDEN CHANCE OF WINNING CHAMPIONSHIP

YESTERDAY'S IMPORTANT FOOTBALL VICTORY

Efforts to catch up on the congested first division football league fixtures were hampered yesterday by the rainstorm which broke over Hongkong yesterday afternoon. It caused the postponement of three senior division fixtures, water-logged grounds making it impossible for the following matches to be played:—Kowloon v. St. Joseph's, Club v. Kowloon Chinese, Seafarths v. Recreio.

However, Royal Ulster Rifles and Royal Welch Fusiliers played off their tie under difficulties, the Rifles winning comfortably. This places them at the head of the table, two points better than South China "A" with the same number of games played. Rifles are once again presented with a golden chance of winning the championship.

Ulster Rifles 4 R. W. Fusiliers 0

(Moore & Killen)

Royal Ulster Rifles yesterday met what was expected to be their chief obstacle before the end of the football season, but they were fortunate to find the Royal Welch Fusiliers well below strength. A comfortable victory for the Rifles resulted and they are now nicely placed at the top of the first division table, two points ahead of South China "A", and both teams having three matches outstanding.

The match was played under difficult conditions on the Prince Edward Road ground, a torrential downpour making the pitch very heavy and causing considerable handicap to the players. This, in fact, was the only match out of a schedule of four in the first division to be played.

Fusiliers, playing without Talbot, Taylor and Roberts, were outclassed by the Rifles, to whom full credit must be given for the manner in which they adapted themselves to the conditions.

Under the circumstances the winners played excellent football and thoroughly deserved the points. Moore continued his recent good form by scoring a hat-trick, and it was encouraging to the league leaders' supporters to note how well Erwin and Killen played together.

The Riflemen shot hard and first-time, and means of quick inter-passing made it difficult for Wheeler and Keating to cover up. The winners were far and away the better-balanced side, and need only to repeat this form in their remaining matches to win the championship.

The Fusiliers defended very stoutly but were handicapped in having a rearranged forward line. Rowlands played very well in goal, and the backs tried desperately hard to avert the inevitable.

The Rifles scored two goals in each half. Moore scored the first and added a second from Erwin's pass. Killen drove in a third after the interval and Moore contributed another before the close, again from Erwin's accurate centre.

The only time the Fusiliers threatened the winners was in the early stages of the second half, when they might have scored a couple of goals with a little more steadiness in shooting.

League Table									
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.	Goals	
R.U. Rifles	23	16	3	4	59	23	35		
S. China "A"	23	14	5	4	57	22	33		
S. China "B"	23	12	5	6	50	35	29		
S. Hiders	22	12	4	6	48	38	28		
R.W. Fusiliers	23	11	5	7	46	32	27		

FUSILIERS BECOME RUNNERS-UP

Win 8-1 In Second Div. Encounter

Royal Welch Fusiliers became runners-up in the second division of the football league yesterday when they made mince-meat out of Chinese Police, winning by eight goals to one.

They called the tune from the opening rally, and though held to an odd-goal advantage until after half time, so thoroughly dominated the second period that another six goals were added without reply.

The game was vigorous and two of the Police team had to be sent off the field in the second half. This lightened the Fusiliers' task considerably.

Bumster and Collins each scored twice for the winners, the rest of the eight being added by Saunders, Parry, Greysty and a Chinese defender. Chang Kong-yue netted the policeman's only points from a penalty.

League Table									
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.	Goals	
Royal Navy	23	22	2	1	120	26	46		
R.W. Fusiliers	24	16	4	2	60	22	40		
South China	25	13	6	6	67	37	32		
R. Engineers	22	15	1	0	65	30	31		
S. Hiders	23	13	5	5	60	37	31		



R. Xavier (left) and R. Marques, two schoolboy hockey players who appear regularly for the Argonauta team and have also represented Portugal in the International Tournament. Their further achievements this season include representation in the Inter-Section Tournament.

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY MATCH

IMPORTANT TIE IN CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

RADIO V. C.B.A.

(By "The Pilgrim")

The first of three encounters to decide the championship of the Marnak Hockey Tournament is being played this afternoon, the contestants being Central British Association and Radio Sports Club.

The match will be played on the U.S.R.C. ground, bully-off at 5.15.

As yet the C.B.A. have an unbeaten record, but they will find the Radio very powerful opposition. Radio have beaten such formidable teams as the Argonauta "A" and K.T.C. "A". General opinion agrees that Central British are winners of the "A" Division enjoyed a somewhat easy passage to the final, as the majority of the stronger teams were in the "B" Division.

Here are the records of the two teams:

RADIO SPORTS CLUB									
(Champions of "B" Division)									
beat K.T.C. "B"	7-2								
beat R.A.O.C.	5-1								
beat Royal Signals	2-1								
beat H.M.S. Berwick	3-0								
beat Argonauta "A"	1-0								
beat Submarines	3-0								
beat K.T.C. "A"	2-0								
beat "C" Coy. R.U.R.	5-0								
beat "D" Coy. R.U.R.	6-1								
lost to "D" Coy. R.U.R.	0-1								
Received w.o. from H.M.S. Dalry									

CENTRAL BRITISH ASSOCIATION									
(Champions "A" Division)									
beat Argonauta "B"	2-0								
beat "B" Coy. R.V.F.	5-0								
beat H.M.S. Adventure	2-0								
beat "A" Coy. R.U.R.	8-0								
beat "A" Coy. R.U.R.	8-0								
beat H.M.S. Duncan	7-0								
beat H.Q. R.U.R.	5-1								
beat R. Engineers	2-0								
beat Nomads	6-1								
beat 24th Bty. R.A.	2-1								

Lynch May Defy Boxing Board

By TREVOR WIGNALL

FOLLOWERS of boxing in Scotland are more than ever up in arms over the threat of the British Boxing Board of Control to deprive Benny Lynch, the British and world's fly-weight champion, of his titles if he fights Jimmy Varnock, of Ireland, under championship conditions in Glasgow in June.

Mystery was added to the matter recently by an alleged statement of the board that it had not come to any such decision, but Mr. George Dingley, the promoter of the contest, telephoned me from Glasgow and read to me a letter Lynch had received from the B.B.B.C.

This stated: "In connection with your contest with Varnock, at championship weight, which Mr. Dingley proposes to run in June, I have to inform you that under our rules you cannot fight at championship weight, and if you do the stewards would have to withdraw your licence, when you would automatically cease to hold the championship title."

SEEKING ADVICE

A letter of a somewhat similar kind was also received by Mr. Dingley. Mr. Dingley, who is highly indignant at what he describes as a high-handed action informed me that he and Lynch would seek legal advice, and on it would depend whether the bout would be staged. He pointed out that the inconsistency of the B.B.B.C. was made plain by the fact that they have (Continued on Page 2.)

Clubhouse Chatter

COLONY'S WINTER SPORTS COMING TO AN END

Final Fling This Month

HONGKONG'S winter sports are on the wane. Cricket and badminton have concluded; hockey is having its final fling; rugby is all but ended; soccer has but a few weeks to run. Very soon lawn bowls, league tennis (it's a pity such an energetic game has to be played during the summer months) and swimming will be occupying the attention of our sportsmen. In the meantime it is well to glance back on the season now in the course of completion.

League Cricket

LEAGUE cricket was not without unusual aspects. For the first time for many years two teams finished on level terms in the first division, and although an effort was made last Saturday to arrive at a definite decision, a drawn match between the Club and I.R.C. left them as joint holders of the shield. The standard of play was only average, but the season revealed several young players of promise. Holden was a successful bowler for the Club; Neve showed talent as a batsman, and a flier somewhat above the average. The Indians found a couple of stylish and enterprising batsmen in Y. el Arculli and A. R. Abbas, and a useful bowler in M. el Arculli. All the same the chief burdens were again carried by A. R. Minu and A. H. Mader. Kowloon Cricket Club boasted the team of most possibilities in the senior division, but they disappointed. They drew matches with Craigengower and the Indians when both were almost certain victories, and they lost to the Club when they allowed Holden to bluff them out after he had had a couple of dozen runs scored from his first two overs. Donald Anderson's batting and R. Lee's bowling overshadowed everything else done by this team. Both players have only to reproduce the same form when next season starts to ensure inclusion in the Interport side.

Baxter's Promise

IN the second division, K.C.C., the eventual champions, produced a "discovery" in Kenneth M. Baxter, who had his first season out of school cricket. Baxter, sound in defence and well equipped with scoring strokes, made his half-century regularly finishing with an average of over 50. In time he will develop his in-front-of-the-wickets shots which at the moment are not ideally timed. He has beautiful wrists and square cuts, and leg glance which many a better known player might envy. Very sensibly Baxter did not worry about his bowling which he had developed up to a certain point while at school, but in concentrating upon his batting he guaranteed the K.C.C. a regular contribution of 30 or more. Beyond Baxter no exceptional talent was revealed in the junior division. The Army turned out three excellent sides, and the Navy until they had yielded Foster to the seniors, and then lost other stalwarts through manoeuvres, was one of the best-balanced teams in the division.

Badminton

MAJOR advance was made in badminton during the winter. Several new players of unusual talent appeared successfully to threaten the hitherto unquestioned superiority of a few University and Club de Recreio players. The advent of the Chinese & C.C. provided a much-needed stimulus to the league, but the chief contribution to the improvement of the game was the organisation of badminton championships. Its biggest effect was to popularise the singles game, a phase of badminton which had previously been completely ignored in Hongkong. Difficult though were many to participate in a game of which they had had little or no experience, they quickly discovered that it was worth while. At times the standard of play was exceptional—that in exceptional for Hongkong. P. H. Wong and P. K. Hui quickly established themselves as favourites, and it was a thousand pities, that because their form was unknown, they were not placed in different sections of the draw. They clashed in the semi-final to provide the finest display of singles badminton then seen in the Colony.

Better Support Please!

BUT there were other pleasing features of the season. The successful entry into the league of King's College, the improved form of Kowloon Tong, the continued keen competition between Recreio and University which this year ended in favour of the Varsity. Above all the general lifting up of the standard of play throughout the Colony. The Badminton Association has good reason to believe that with the talent now available, the Colony could easily hold its own against repre-

sentative Shanghai and Tientsin teams. The next obvious step appears to be to test this belief. The only cause for complaint so far as the Association is concerned has been the somewhat cursory support given by Colony badminton players to the Association's functions. The finals and the Presentation Night, all of which were staged at the Club de Recreio, could have been, and should have been, much better supported by players. The Association makes it possible for some 100 or more players to enjoy properly organised and regular competitive badminton, and the least it should receive in return is whole-hearted co-operation and encouragement when it stages public functions. Every player can discover something of value in watching these various exhibitions, quite apart from the fact that such events enable players to meet each other in a social atmosphere. It is hoped that next season, those who enjoy the benefits of playing in the competitions organised by the Association will show more readiness in giving the administrative body a full measure of support in its other activities.

Japanese Soccer Team For Shanghai

PLAYING FIVE MATCHES

Shanghai, Apr. 13. Waseda University of Tokyo is sending to Shanghai a soccer side, and a programme has been arranged for their visit. This month of five games. All matches will be played under the auspices of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation. In view of the visit, the Shanghai Football Association is not arranging any fixtures for the coming week-end. The Waseda programme, as announced, follows:—
April 17—Waseda v. Association Sportive Francalaise
April 21—Waseda v. Combined Chinese Colleges
April 24—Waseda v. C.N.A.A.F. side
April 28—Waseda v. Loyals
May 1—Waseda v. Combined foreign and Chinese side.
All matches are to be played at the Camdrome, from 3 p.m., unless favourable light allows them to be started at 3.15 p.m.
Prices of admission will be: reserved seats \$2; general \$1 and fifty cents. Tickets for the series of five matches may be purchased: reserved \$8; general \$4 and \$2.
Full announcement of referees and other officials will be made shortly by the C.N.A.A.F., who will also arrange the actual starting times for each match.

WASEDA BEATEN

Tokyo, Apr. 12. Successfully maintaining a one-point lead, scored in the first half, the visiting Pei-ling-Lu Railway soccer team yesterday afternoon defeated the Waseda XI, Japanese collegiate champions, 1-0 yesterday afternoon. —Domei.

KEEN CYCLIST

Henry Keates Coming Back To Colony

Local cyclists will be interested to learn that Mr. Henry A. G. Keates, who formed the Hongkong Cycling Club in 1934, will be returning to the Colony shortly. Accompanied by Messrs. F. L. Bradley and S. H. Baylis, two other keen cyclists and members of the R.A.S.C. and Belfast Clubs, Mr. Keates is already on his way out, and is due to arrive by the P. and O. liner Rawalpindi on April 21.

On his departure from the Colony in January last year, Mr. Keates held all recognised road-time trial records from five to 100 miles, established either at Shanghai or Hongkong. The Shanghai Wheelers (which he formed in 1934) elected him Vice-President in 1934 and each year since, and the Hongkong Cycling Club did likewise in 1935 and elected him President in 1936.

During his residence in Belfast since his return there, Mr. Keates did not race very seriously, but took the opportunity of recuperating after three racing seasons in the heat and humidity of China's summer months. Nevertheless in 11 events in which he participated, he secured seven premier awards, and once again beat the Irish 50-mile record with a ride of 2 hrs. 15 mins. He was also successful in the Northern C.C. Club championship, repeating his 1932 win.

Chinese Recreation Club Meeting

Members of the Chinese Recreation Club have been advised by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Lu Tak-lam, that the twenty-fifth general meeting of the Club has again been fixed for Sunday, April 18, at 4 p.m. The meeting was originally called for March 28, but was not held for lack of a quorum. The delay has caused the Club some inconvenience. All members are invited to attend, for the purpose of adopting the accounts of the past year and electing officials for the coming year.

Colony Tennis Championships

TWO DOUBLES GAMES THIS AFTERNOON

Court Needs Some Sun

It will need a continuous and warm sun to dry out the Cricket Club courts in readiness for this afternoon's tennis championships programme. Yesterday the ground was severely drenched, but there is a distinct possibility, in view of the improved conditions this morning, of to-day's matches being played according to arrangements.

On the stand court is a double tie between two Chinese pairs which promises to produce some lively play. Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung meet Tsoi Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen, and although the first-named couple should win they will probably have to go all out.

Another doubles match which will be put into Court No. 9 is between Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fun and W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung. Wong and Lui should just about get through.

The full afternoon's programme follows:—
Open Doubles.—Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung v. P. F. Tsoi and Ng Kam-chuen (Stand Court); Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fun v. W. N. Cheung and M. C. Hung.
Mixed Doubles.—J. F. L. Smalley and Miss Smalley v. W. Wooding and Miss Ward.
Handicap Doubles.—V. R. Gordon and T. C. Monaghan v. G. E. R. Divett and B. O.M. Deane.

SNOOKER POSTPONED

The Open Championship snooker match between J. C. Remondet and W. Stafford which was to have been played at the C.C.C. last night was postponed.

It is requested that as from April 14 all correspondence relating to the Hongkong Hockey Association be addressed to Sub-Inspector L. Tyler, Police Training School, Kowloon, who takes over the Secretaryship of the Association from Mr. F. A. Kemp, who is proceeding Home on leave.

ANOTHER GREAT VICTORY

Three Points Ahead Of Arsenal

HOMESIDE SOCCER

London, Apr. 14. To-day Manchester City made themselves practically certain of the English Football League championship when they beat Sunderland on the latter's enclosure at Roker Park by three goals to one. This was Sunderland's second defeat of the week, the cup-finalists losing 6-0 to Grimsby on Monday.

Manchester City, thanks to a wonderful revival have overhauled Arsenal and Charlton in the race for league honours, and with the same number of games played are three points ahead of the Highbury team.

Only three matches are outstanding, so that three points from them will give the City the title.

Several first class matches were played in England and Scotland. Reuter enabling the following results:

ENGLISH LEAGUE									
First Division									
Preston	1	Everton	0						
Sunderland	1	Manchester C.	3						
Wolves	5	W. Bromwich	2						

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)									
Crystal P.	1	Millwall	0						

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)									
York	4	Accrington	2						
Chester	2	Oldham	1						

SCOTTISH LEAGUE									
First Division									
Motherwell	6	Dunfermline	0						

SECOND DIVISION									
Morton	4	St. Bernard's	1						

LEAGUE TABLE									
The revised first division English League table now reads as follows:									

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Manchester C.	30	20	12	7	66	52	52
Arsenal	30	17	15	7	76	47	49
Charlton	30	19	11	9	53	40	40
Middlesbrough	30	19	8	12	71	63	40
Derby	30	19	7	13	89	85	45

LADIES' GOLF

In the L.G.U. Medal Competition held on Tuesday by the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling, Mrs. McGowan won the Silver Division on the Old Course with a card of 92-14=78. Other scores were Mrs. Garner 92-13=70; Mrs. Gilmore 92-12=60.

Mrs. Stewart, with a score of 100-34=74, was successful in the Bronze Division on the New Course. Other scores were Mrs. Young 107-31=76; Mrs. Armstrong 101-29=70.

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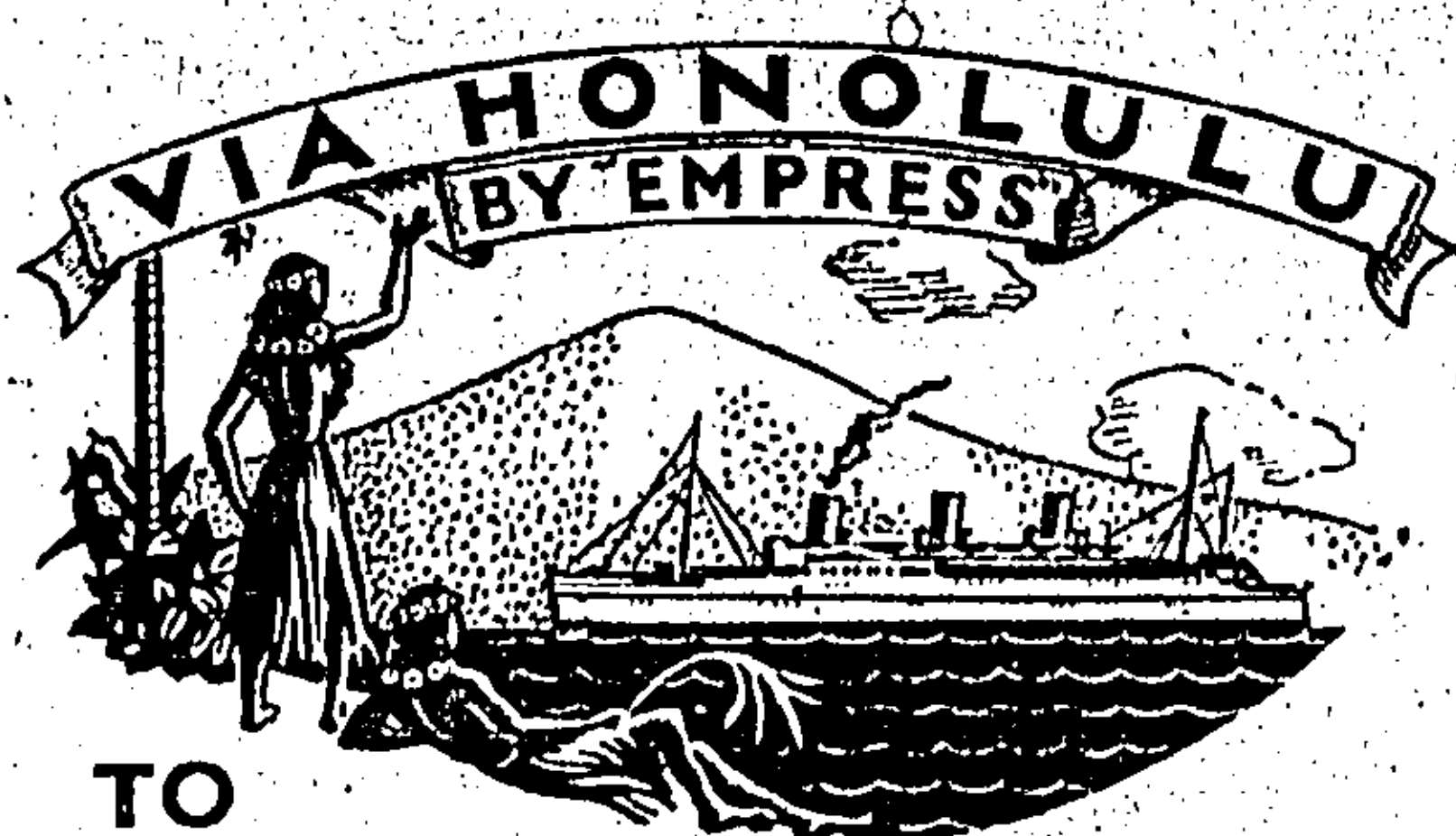
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 Tokushima Maru Fri., 30th April
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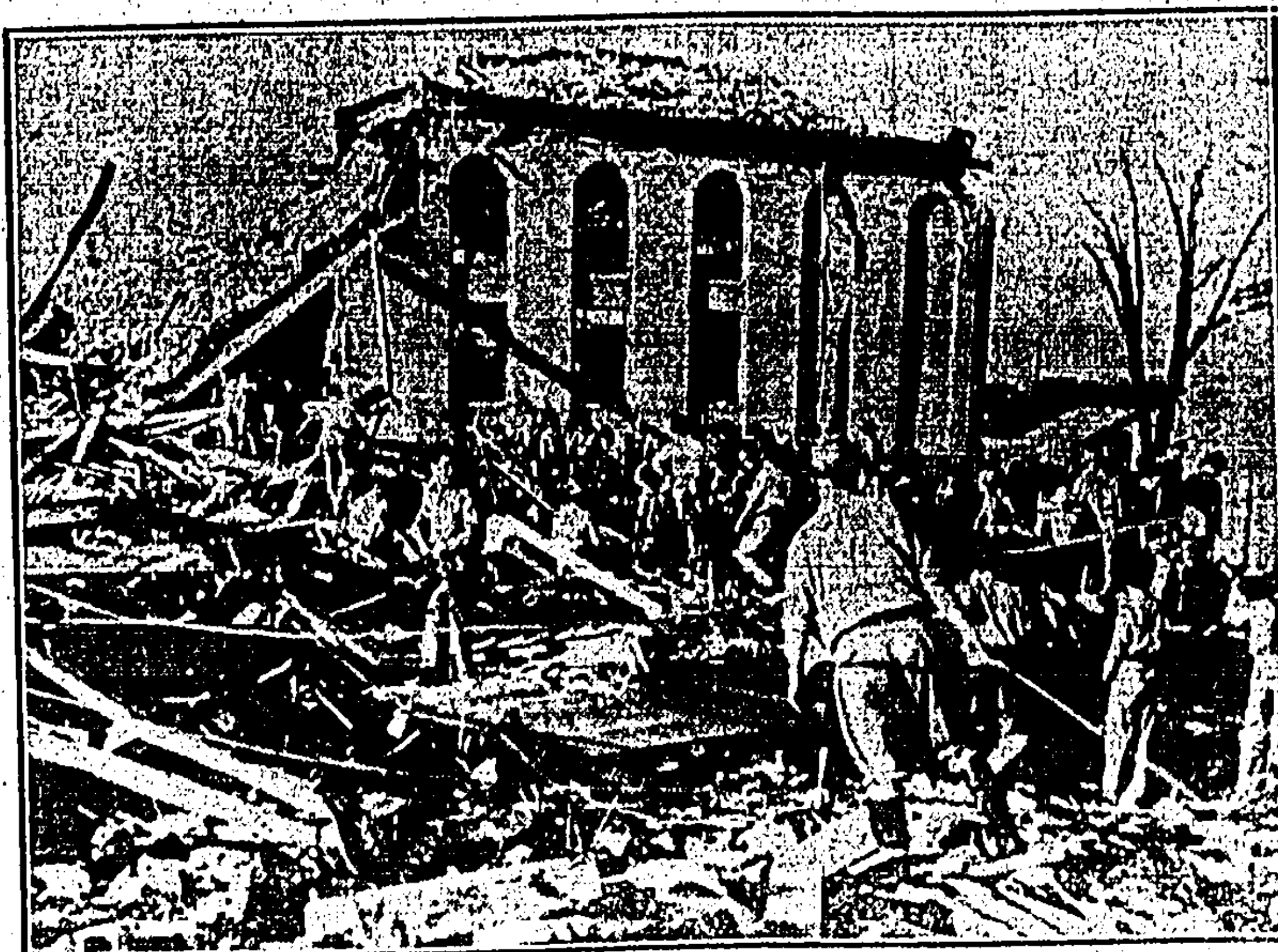
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HOME MAN—Kikichi Kawarada, a director of the Society for the Conciliation of Labour and Capital in Japan, recently appointed Home Minister. Increased industrial activity makes his position important.



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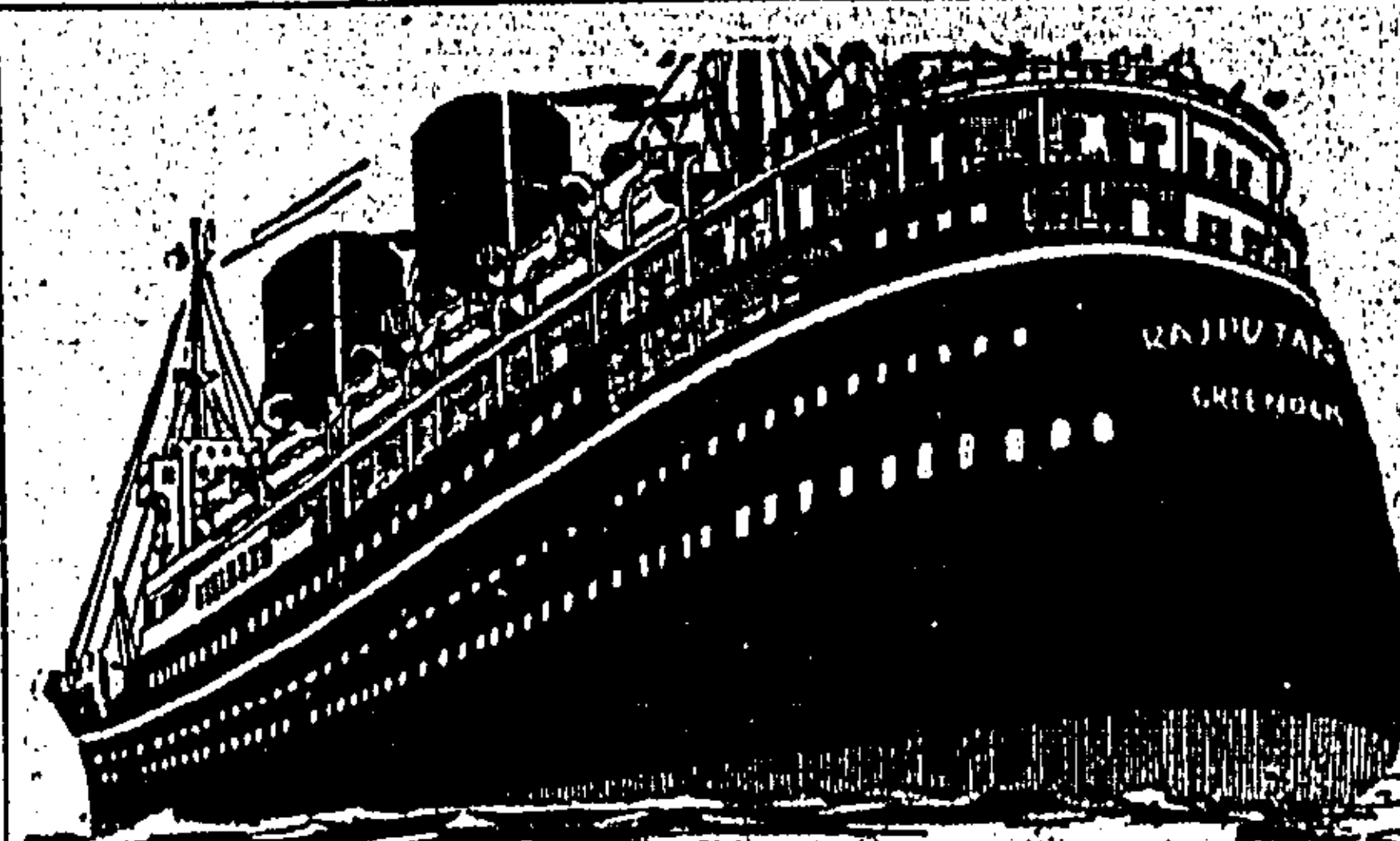
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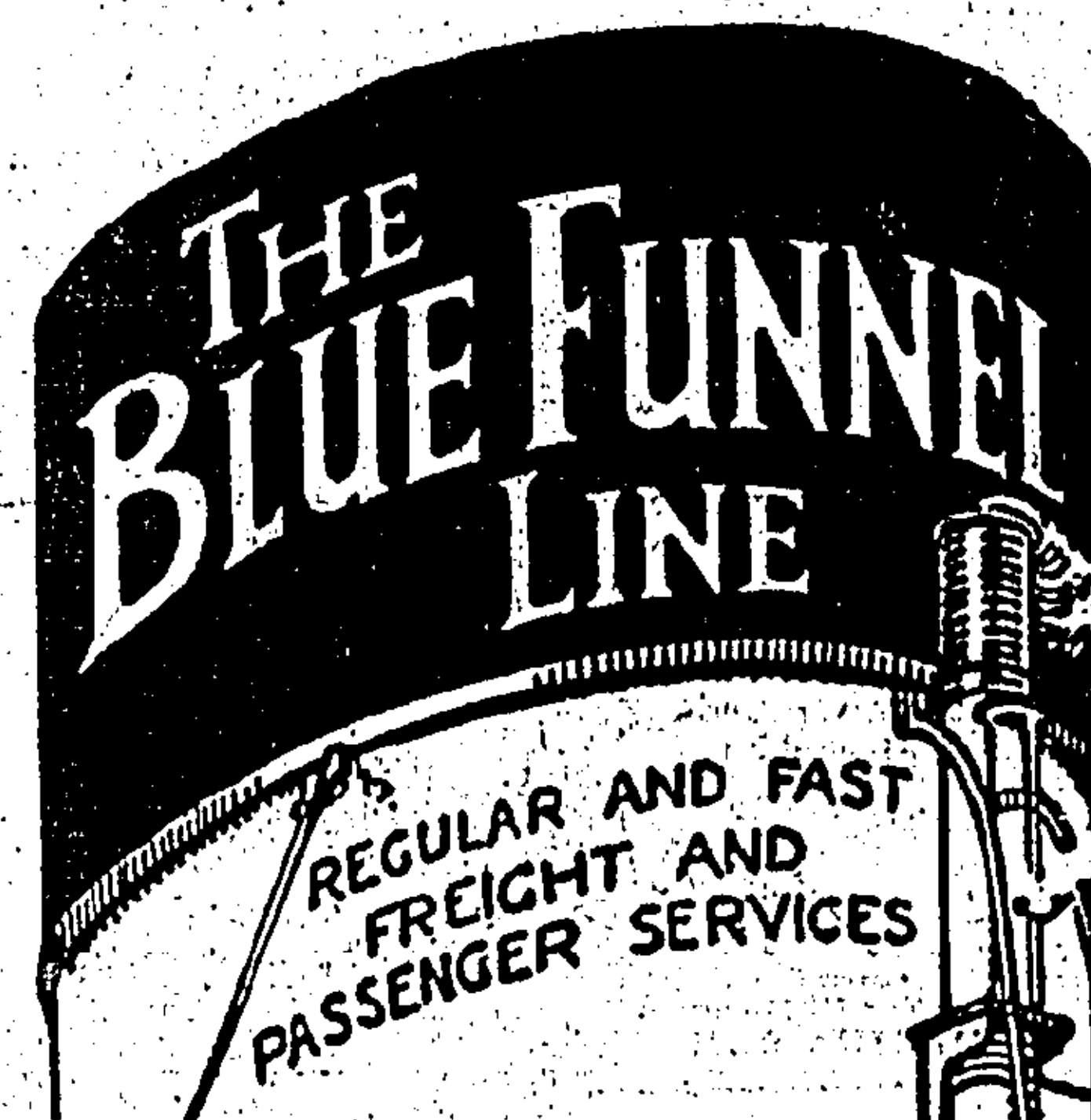
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Greetings Exchanged From Many Lands

Prince Speaks To "One Great Family"

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Apr. 14. Radio knit the Empire together this afternoon, when there was an unprecedented exchange of greetings by radio telephone on the occasion of the opening of the extension of the headquarters of the Overseas League premises at Overseas House, St. James' Square, London, by the Duke of Gloucester.

The Duke included in his speech a message from the King, and replies were made by the Viceroy of India from Delhi, the Governor-General of Canada from Ottawa, the Governor-General of Australia from Melbourne, the Governor-General of New Zealand from Wellington, and the Governor-General of South Africa from Cape Town.

In his speech, the Duke of Gloucester emphasised that there was never a time in the world's history when the British Empire had a more important role to play as a great stabilising force. He rejoiced to think that the Overseas League, recognising no distinction of creed, colour or class, sought to realise the ideal of his father, the late King George V, of being "one great family."

The function, which was presided over by Lord Goschen, took place in St. Andrew's Hall, subscribed for by Scottish members of the League. Another room, panelled in Indian silver grey wood, is the gift of the Government of India, concerning which the Duke paid a tribute to the generous donations by many Indian Princes.

The Duke of Gloucester was received by a guard of honour drawn from the Rhodesian and Australian Coronation contingents. — Reuter Special.

STRUGGLE FOR SUGAR MARKETS

Dutchmen Driving Hardest Bargain

London, Apr. 14. Bargaining for shares in a free market continued to-day at the Sugar Conference when the negotiating committee discussed the claims of French and Dutch interests. It is understood that the French delegates pointed out that they were self-sufficient, wanting only a small export quota in the case of bumper crops.

The Dutch are apparently driving the hardest bargain, though details of their claims are not available. Czechoslovakia is understood to have demanded over half the total of the European share in the free market, which is thought to have been tentatively fixed at between 520,000 and 630,000 tons.

The feeling in conference circles continues to be mildly optimistic, but no conclusion is expected before next week. — Reuter.

URGED TO SELL COTTON AND PAY BACK LOANS FROM GOVERNMENT

Washington, Apr. 14. The Agriculture Adjustment Administration has advised farmers with C.C.C. cotton loans outstanding to sell their holdings immediately. South Director Cully Cobb declared: "Farmers who have borrowed 12 cents per pound on their cotton have now the opportunity of liquidating their loans, simultaneously realising about \$1.25 a bale." Loan stocks are at present approximately 1,850,000 bales, liquidation of which would eliminate Government cotton as a market factor, Mr. Cobb said. — United Press.

WILFUL PRINCE BURNS KNEES MRS. SIMPSON HURRIES DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS

St. Wolfgang, Apr. 15. The Duke of Windsor is nursing sun-burned knees to-day. He would not take the advice of his guide and apply a lotion before the start of a long hiking tour, in shorts, and is suffering the consequences.

Meanwhile, it is learned in London that Mrs. Ernest Simpson, for whom the Duke abandoned the throne of Belgium, will apply on April 28 for a divorce decree absolute, to be served on May 3. — United Press.

CORONATION DELEGATE

London, Apr. 14. The Sultan of Pahang, Federated Malay States, arrived in London to-day to attend the Coronation. — British Wireless.

Sea Battle In Biscay Threatening

Loyalists Suffering Heavy Losses

Hendaye, April 14. Prospects of a naval battle in the Bay of Biscay are heightened by the news that certain units of the reconstituted Spanish Government fleet are heading for these waters. — Reuter.

ENORMOUS CASUALTIES

Salamanca, April 14. Between 12,000 and 14,000 Government troops, it is estimated by insurgent authorities, have been killed in the fighting on the Cordoba front during the past four days. According to prisoners taken west of Madrid, the Government forces on this front are composed entirely of picked foreign troops, commanded by Frenchmen and Russians. — Reuter.

Gang Of Hotel Thieves

Regular Visits Made From Canton

The fact that a gang of thieves were operating in a number of local hotels was revealed before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Chan Yik-hung, aged 32, unemployed, and Leung On, aged 27, unemployed, were charged with the larceny of a gold watch and chain, a pair of gold cuff-links, U.S.\$40, H.K.\$20, and \$9 in Chinese currency, and a bunch of keys from the Great Eastern Hotel, the property of Kwun Shong-yin, a merchant. Both defendants pleaded guilty.

Detective-Sergeant J. Bentley, prosecuting, said the complainant was a retired merchant from the United States and was staying at the Great Eastern Hotel with his wife. While they were asleep at 8.30 a.m. yesterday, complainant's wife was awakened by the rattle of keys, and, on getting up, saw Chan in the act of getting out of the window. She grabbed him by the leg, giving the alarm at the time, but Chan managed to struggle free, and return to his own room, which was next to complainant's.

Aroused by the commotion, a room-boy came on the scene, and on seeing the door of the defendant's room slightly ajar, saw Chan undressing himself. He grew suspicious, and entered the room, where Leung was also found. Making a search, the room-boy found the jewellery and money hidden underneath a wardrobe, and arrested both accused. The property was later identified by complainant.

The prosecuting officer added that defendants appeared to be members of a gang of about ten men, who could make periodic trips to the Colony from Canton, when they would separate and stay in different hotels. While the other were asleep, they would commence their nefarious operations, and invariably their haul amounted to a considerable sum. In the present case, the total value of the property taken was \$478.

His Worship, remarking that he took a serious view of the offence, sentenced each defendant to six months' hard labour.

Cathedral's Floor Sinks At Ceremony

Mexico City, Apr. 14. Just as the ceremony of installing the Very Rev. Luis Mattias as Archbishop of Mexico was taking place, the floor of the Cathedral caved in. Air raid sirens were sounded, persons were injured, and many of these were not expected to live. — Reuter.

APPOINTED TO CHINA

London, Apr. 14. Lieutenant-Colonel A.B. Thomson, of The Buffs, has been appointed Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General in charge of the administration of British troops in China, with effect from October 2. Colonel M.A. Studd has been appointed to the corresponding post in Malaya, with effect from September 14. — Reuter.

CRUISER SAILS FOR WOOSUNG

The cruiser Diomedes, which formerly was attached to the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy, left Hongkong yesterday on her way to Woosung (Shanghai). The cruiser will return to Hongkong en route to England, on May 6. With naval and military details aboard, the transport Dorsetshire departs this week and for Home.

GANDHI REMAINS UNMOVED

Claims He Is Acting As Mediator

Declares British Policy Unfair

London, April 14. A series of important efforts on the part of the British authorities to placate the All-India Congress Party opposition to constitutional reforms, in their present form, has failed to shake Mahatma Gandhi in the advice he has given the party not to accept office in the provinces where its members have secured a majority. This is made clear in a message from Gandhi to the Times, sent from Wardha.

Gandhi refers directly or inferentially to the gestures contained in a speech of Lord Zetland, Secretary of State for India and Burma, an editorial in the Times, and a letter from Lord Zetland to the Times, all elucidating the constitutional implications and endeavouring to remove India's misapprehensions.

"Lord Zetland, in a speech on April 8, ruled out as impossible the suggestion that Governments give assurances that they will not use their special powers, but indicate that the Viceroy would willingly explain the provincial positions further if approached by Gandhi or other Congress party representatives."

NOT FAIR

Gandhi's message to-night rejects Lord Zetland's interpretation and says his refusal to submit his interpretation to examination by a legal tribunal will raise the strong presumption that the British Government does not intend to deal fairly by the majority, whose advanced programme Britain dislikes.

"I prefer an honourable deadlock to dishonourable daily scenes between Congress party members and the Government, for in the sense the British Government means, the working of the Act by the Congress party seems impossible," Gandhi writes.

"It is therefore for the British Government to show the Congress party by every means open to it within its constitution, that the Congress party can advance towards its goal even by taking office."

"Having affirmed that he was not actuated by any question of false prestige, Gandhi says: 'My function is that of a mediator between the Congress party and the Government which, unlike many Congress party members, I believe to be capable of being converted under moral pressure, as of being coerced under physical pressure.' — Reuter.

MEETINGS ARRANGED

New Delhi, Apr. 14. It is understood that Gandhi is meeting all the day with members of the All-India Congress Party in the Bombay Presidency to discuss the constitutional question. The working committee of Congress is meeting on April 20 to discuss a definite line of action. — Reuter Bulletin Service.

BRITISH EXPORTS INCREASE

Highest For Month In Many Years

London, Apr. 14. British exports in March were the highest in any month since November, 1930, totalling nearly £43,500,000. This is an increase compared with February of £4,897,000 and of £2,680,000 compared with March, 1936. Imports totalled over £23,500,000, an increase of £11,000,000 compared with February and over £14,500,000 compared with March of last year. — Reuter Special.

STRIKE LEADERS BANISHED

LABOUR QUESTIONS COLONIES SECRETARY

London, Apr. 14. Arising from the recent strikes in rubber plantations in Selangor and Negri Sembilan, Mr. John Parker, Labour M.P. for Romford, asked, in the House of Commons to-day, under what authority the strike organisers were banished from Selangor.

Mr. W. Ormsby-Gore, Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied that Labour Unions were legal in the Malay States, but he was unaware of any cases of expulsion simply in respect of the organisation of strikes. Mr. Ormsby-Gore added that some expulsions were ordered where industrial disputes were misused for the purpose of incitement to violence and disorder. — Reuter.

CAPITULATIONS ABOLISHED

Montreux, Apr. 14. Contrary to expectations, the Commission of nations discussing Article One of the draft convention dealing with Egypt's law of administration, unanimously agreed to the principle of abolition of capitulations, subject to slight alterations in the text of the original draft, which will be referred to the drafting committee. — Reuter.

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Still Bound By Locarno

Signatories Held In Spite Of Breaches

London, Apr. 14. "His Majesty's Government are still bound by the first paragraph of Section Three of the text of the proposals of March 18, 1936, by which they declared, as regards their obligations to France and Belgium, that nothing that had happened before or since the breach of the Treaty of Locarno could be considered as having freed the signatories of that Treaty from any of their obligations or guarantees, and that the latter subsisted in their entirety."

This statement was made by the Foreign Secretary in the House of Commons in answer to a member who enquired if Britain were still bound by the Locarno Treaty in view of Germany's denunciation, and proposals of March 18, 1936, by which they declared, as regards their obligations to France and Belgium, that nothing that had happened before or since the breach of the Treaty of Locarno could be considered as having freed the signatories of that Treaty from any of their obligations or guarantees, and that the latter subsisted in their entirety."

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